

**IF ELECTION WERE OVER?**  
While Democrats Are Admittedly the Champion Question Fiends, It Is Believed This Quire Is Unanswerable as Their Most Childlike Effort.

## OLD SOUTHERN WIT

GOOD STORIES OF TOM MARSHALL STILL BEING TOLD.

III-Advised Was the Person Who Engaged in Word Duel With Famous Kentuckian Who Flourished, "Befoh the Wah."

The witty Tom Marshall of Kentucky, who flourished in the halcyon days "befoh the wah," anecdotes are still extant. Once there had been a disagreement between him and the judge before whom he was making an argument. "I am not," said Marshall, "such an ass as your honor"—the learned counsel was overthrown by a fit of coughing—then he added his sentence—"seems to think."

"Mr. Clerk," said the court, "enter a ruling of the judge, enter a bill like the subsequent which is to be filed with the federal government upon a new venture in a hazard one field and use \$50,000,000 of the people's money to buy tonnage held above its normal value or else so owned that it cannot be used without peril of international complications." It sounds like a policy behind which I am sure there is only campaign politics.

If election day were past would President Wilson make so little of the principle of arbitration in industrial disputes? Would he so sure that it is more important to preserve peace when a great strike is threatened, than to force the making of mutual agreements? Would the members of some districts be allowed to earn and labor?

If election day had come and gone would Mr. Wilson keep the national guardmen of the country in camp on the ground that they may be needed to protect the United States against Mexico? Would there be months or even a year of indecision in what is to be done? Would they not be allowed to go home or else be set in motion to make Mexico as safe a neighbor as the Administration seems to think that it is already?

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If election day were not to be considered would Woodrow Wilson use so many high and mighty words in international notes and do so little to make them mean anything practical? Would his deeds lag so far behind his promises?—Cleveland Leader.

**"HE DIDN'T DO RIGHT"**

Independent Voters Turning This Convinced Over and Over in Their Minds and It Will Cost Mr. Wilson Many a Vote.

A Democrat who never voted for a Republican candidate for President except in 1872, when he was forced by the lack of a Democratic nominee to cast his ballot for Horace Greeley says: "I expect to vote for Woodrow Wilson but I don't like his course in the railroad dispute. He didn't do right."

The railroad controversy has introduced a moral issue into the campaign. Mr. Wilson's socialist principle to expediency, or what he judged to be expediency, when he tamely surrendered to the demands of the train-service commissioners.

He put his own personal and party need before the public good. He aimed a bullet at the tried and tested arbitration method of settling differences.

"God help you! I cannot," he is said to have exclaimed to the railroads' agents, "but I will not give up our employees. But that could have helped them if he had stood impartially between them and the utterly reckless train-service representatives who were bent on their rule-or-ruin programme.

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The American people like courage. They like convictions. They like a man who has the courage of his convictions. They like a man who is willing to risk consequences for the sake of a just cause.

It was an unjust cause in which Woodrow Wilson enlisted when he accepted the brotherhood view that the chief item in their demands could not be arbitrated.—Providence Journal.

**FIVE THOUSAND A DAY.**

Enrollments in the Hughes National College League.

The Hughes National College League, 511 Fifth Avenue, New York, is receiving enrollments at the rate of five thousand a day. They are coming from all parts of the country and the work of organizing branches in all states and most of the important cities has been started. A large percentage of the enrollment is from men who give their usual political affiliations as Progressive, Democratic or Independent.

The league has received the endorsement of Governor Hughes, who wired: "If there was ever a time when the people of this country who have its welfare at heart should work for right principles and strong government it is now." Chairman Wilcox of the Republican National Committee, ex-President Taft, and John Hays Hammond have also praised the work enthusiastically, as much on the score of the benefit to the nation themselves as of the real work it will do to help elect Governor Hughes.

The President must be credited with having put a slack one over as he can get the votes and make the people pay the freight.

Latin politeness is proverbial, but aren't these Mexican commissioners exceeding the limit when they persist in likening Woodrow Wilson to Venustiano Carranza?



## "CAT-FEAR" VICTIM

HERE IS INDIVIDUAL WITH REAL TALE OF WOE.

Many Who Have Suffered Under Like Circumstances Will Extend Sympathy, Since "Honey Boy" Are Quite Numerous.

"Faith an' now Wilson's for prob'ly two years ago when he left, for it's been in the wane-choo-choo. Now that he is for it, that immortal instrument has also changed its mind. He makes me shivin'."

"But I've good company," Bryan an' Garrison, the civil service Dimeyats, and the rare Dimeyants, the Passyfets and the vinten' wifey—they've all been on the Merry-go-round. Some iv turn them tick."

"God bless ye—ye're a good man, but ye make me dizzy," says Bayan, leppin' from the Hooey Horse and runnin' for the woods. "We're a givine ranger at losin' time," says Wudthruh in a Cocked-Hat in the vintage of 1930.

"Here's the Army Bill," says Garrison. "How does it suit ye' axes."

"Fine," says Wudthruh, "barin' a few changes." "Well, redraw it," he says, "to provide," says he, "voluntary service in the army." "I'm not in military," says he, "I've recruited he spiritual com-pusion," says he. "It shud be neither too large nor too small," says he; "or maybe both," he says; "or the ammunition," says he, "must be neither too much nor too little," says he. "We've seen Hay, be'fore, in the daytimes, for the me to go to keep an open mind," says Wudthruh.

"It's the fine family that brings on my attacks. Two people in the upper flat have an Angora, an immease black and clay-colored clump that gets on my nerves. It seems that this upper flat was rented primarily for Honey Boy. "I am ready to face the court," said Tom, "I never before knew or heard of anybody being fined for abusing *Posses Platte*."

"The name is it, Mr. Marshall?" said the judge. "I don't know," replied Tom. "My watch is with my uncle, and if your honor continues to decide against me as you have hitherto done, it is not likely that I will be able to relieve my uncle of its custody."

The campaign agents who two years ago were busily engaged thinking God for Woodrow Wilson seem to be taking their vacations just now.

A record wasn't the only thing the late Congress broke—there's the Federal Treasury.

Congress didn't want a Tariff Commission composed of \$12,000 men, those \$7,500 salaries being designed for \$12,000 men.

This Democratic Congress has passed into history—profound history.

President Wilson's speech of acceptance could have been phrased even more sturdily in the graphic words of Bass Tweed: "What are you going to do about it?"

Vice-President Marshall says Mr. Hughes is an echo of the past. Quite true, of statesmanship, of patriotic performance and safe legislation.

First fruits of the Adamson bill: The New York street car strike.

**SINFUL MUTILATION**  
OF FAMOUS SPEECH

We notice that the editor of the Democratic campaign book, made up of samples of "Woodrow Wilson's Wit and Wisdom," has tampered with one specimen speech by omitting words too proud to fit.

Motto of the McArdle shipping law: "The sun never rises on the American flag."

A Democrat's idea of an ideal watchdog of the Treasury is a Pomeranian.

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## USES FOR SKIM MILK

Diversified Farming Calls for System of Rotation and is Best Insurance of an Income.

Also Considered Excellent for Pigs of All Ages—Valuable in Itself and Assist in Digesting the Other Foods.

Milk is one of the best foods for both young and old chickens. The mason, or curdy part of the milk, largely supplies the protein necessary for laying hens, while for table fowl there is nothing superior to milk for making white, juicy, delicious soups.

The milk may be either sour or sweet, and may be given as a drink mixed with the meal, or both. Sour skim milk or buttermilk fed to chickens confined to limited range keeps them in health. The acid of the milk supplies the lack of vegetable acid which would obtain if feeding at large, and moreover it is digestible.

Poultry farmers living near a creamery gladly pay for the skim and sour milk, which can be had at very reasonable rates.

Farm Dairying says: "Skim milk is considered one of the best of foods for pigs of all ages. It is not only valuable in itself, but helps to digest other foods so makes them more valuable. Milk makes a firm, excellent quality of pork."

About a gallon and a half a day for a 100-pound pig will bring economical results, or feed to the ratio of three pounds of milk to one of meat."

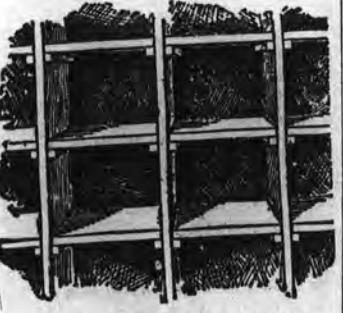
Mixed milk and wheat bran make the best ration for pigs and shoots in connection with clover and grass pasture.

All animals like a variety of food. No one food, however good it may be, will answer. Give a variety and only what will be eaten with a relish. Keep the feed troughs and feeding yards clean and dry.

No rancid food should be fed. Hotel refuse is not a healthy food.

## RAT-PROOF CORN CRIB PLAN

Structure Will Aid Both in Drying of Crop and Protecting It From Rats and Mice.



Arrangement of Nest Boxes.

with a depth of 15 to 18 inches. Egg or orange crates may be used for nests, but they are difficult to keep clean and less desirable than nests made with one-inch boards. A good method of construction is to nail the nests across the floor of the nest, arranging each so that it will slide on nests and can be easily removed and cleaned. The nests are usually built in tiers against the rear wall of the pen, extending from the floor to 7 or 8 feet high, but they may also be placed on the side walls. All partitions should be sold to the top of the nests, but it is advisable to use wire netting above the nests for ventilation.

## PRODUCING EGGS IN WINTER

First Essential is Hen Bred for That Particular Purpose—Proper Feeding is Important.

If you want winter eggs the first essential is a hen that has been wintered. This character of winter laying is inherited from the male bird. The next essential is proper feeding methods.

Many flocks take the feed given them and convert it into fat, while those with the born tendency to lay convert the surplus above that needed for body maintenance into eggs. Every hen born with a certain number of small ova, which the hen will develop if she is fed such feed as she needs to nourish them.

## CHICKENS WITH WEAK LEGS

Trouble Caused by Feeding Young Fowls Too Much Protein or Too Much Heat in Brooder.

The weakness in chickens is caused by feeding the young chicks too much protein, or too much heat in the brooder. In case the brooder is overheated reduce the temperature but not to a degree that will make the chicks uncomfortable. In case the difficulty is caused through excess of protein increase the ash by feeding oyster shells. Let the hen's condition improve or overcome when conditions are changed by proper feeding methods.

## SELL ALL NONLAYING FOWLS

Close Culling of Overfat and Determined Sitters is Recommended—Bringing High Price.

Old hens are bringing an unusually high price, and the time of year. A close culling of overfat and determined sitters is recommended.

Sell those idle nonproducing hens; if they won't lay in this kind of weather there is a "cinch" that they won't do much this winter.

## GET RID OF "STAR BOARDERS"

Cool and Stimulating Weather Makes Work Less Difficult for Horses—Keeps Them Strong.

Experiments conducted by the Ohio Experiment station during 17 years and including eight different rates of seeding with ten varieties of wheat show that eight pecks to the acre gives the greatest yield of grain. Figures given in the station's bulletin point in general to the grain in excess of yield from the use of three bushels per acre, but seed being more than eight pecks to the acre has not paid for the extra seed.

## EAT APPLE FREELY

WELL DESCRIBED AS SUBSTITUTE FOR MEDICINE.

Humble Fruit, Because It Is So Common, Has Not Been Received With the Appreciation That It Deserves.

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## SWEET CLOVER FOR PASTURE

Some Farmers Regard Plant as Good and Practically Worthless—Improves Tith of Soil.

The value of sweet clover as a pasture or hay crop is much disputed. Some farmers regard it as practically worthless, because it is said that others apparently have had good success with feeding it. Its foliage has a bitter taste due to the cumin it contains and its stems have a tendency to become woody as they mature. If not allowed to become too rank before pasturing, or if cut for hay before the best time, it can be fed with either clover or alfalfa for hay.

It is efficient as a soil renovator, by reason of the large amount of nitrogen it is able to take from the air as well as the humus added to the soil when it is turned under or from the decay of roots when the crop is harvested.

Since it is a biennial, sweet clover may take the place of red clover in the rotation on those lands where the latter does not thrive well, but on the best lands it cannot compete with either clover or alfalfa for hay.

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The rural engineer bureau of the department of agriculture will be glad to tell you all about this crop that will aid both in the drying of corn and in protecting it from rats and mice. It is really a sort of double crop, separated by a driveway 12 feet wide and cov-

ered by a gable roof.

The two crops are each 8 by 32 feet and hold a thousand bushels apiece. As planned by the government engineers the concrete foundation is put in for all the walls.

Complete plans may be had from the office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

## GOOD WAY TO MEASURE HAY

Four Hundred Cubic Feet Has Been Found to Be Fair Estimate for Ton—Weight Will Vary.

Sometimes hay is sold in the mow or the stack. When this is done it is necessary to estimate the weight of the stack to determine the amount of hay in the stack.

Chopped up is very useful for replacing eggs in condiments, the pickles, etc., and the bread and the mustard.

Always press silk under a piece of muslin to prevent the silk from becoming hard and crackly. First damp the muslin, and use a moderately hot iron.

In many cases this additional space may be provided at small expense by planting telegraph poles suitable distances apart and the spaces between the mow or the stack and the plates placing roof materials.

Such a structure may be built in short order and at small expense. Farm laborers may even do the building.

If a more durable and larger structure is desirable there is nothing superior to the plank frame hay barns.

## NEGLIGENCE OF FARM MACHINES

Some Cultivators and Hay Racks Are Never Greased—Keep All Wagons Axles Well Oiled.

The oiling or greasing of no machinery on the farm is so neglected as the axles of wagons, buggies, rakes, cultivators, etc. An oil can or jar of axle grease is not required or one of axle vehicles or implements, and the oiling is not needed every few hours, this is neglected.

Some cultivators and hay racks are practically never oiled or greased when this should be attended to after a new day or two of service or when the kind of hay, time of cutting, position of the mow, etc. But it will be a fair estimate to both buyer and seller to consider this.

When you are making an estimate multiply together the length, breadth and height of the mow or stack in feet and divide the product by 400. The quotient will be the number of tons.

## FARM OF RIGHT PROPORTIONS

Records Show That Farmer Either Has Too Many Acres or Not Enough for Successful Work.

The size of business often has much to do toward making the farm profitable. Farm management records show that farms are often either too small or too large for the most successful farming.

There may be too few as well as too many acres. A man may not have enough land or he may be "land poor," thereby rendering all his acres unprofitable.

## SEVERAL RATES OF SEEDING

Ohio Experiment Station Finds Great Yield of Grain Secured From Eight Pecks to the Acre.

For Broken Crockery.

Late fall plowing is much easier on the team than early spring plowing, as the weather is cooler and stimulates, and they can stand the work much better than they can next year. The work will keep their muscles and vital organs strong and more vigorous, so that they will not become fatigued at the advent of warmer weather.

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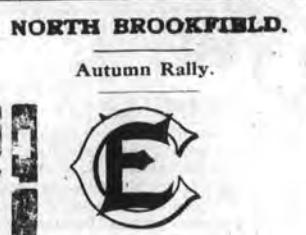
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Poetry and Magazines.

Not long ago a cheap weekly inadvertently printed some dismal verse backwards, without imparting either the sense or the movement! Who he would gather an anthology of meaning less, meterless, rhymeless poetry would be hard to say. The author of the periodicals for which the poems stand receives 25 cents or more. The gods have reserved for the library tables of the cultured few the beauties of our new poetry. The reading public which enjoys the pseudo-scientific literature of the thrashing action of the 10-cent magazine still finds under the childish impression that mere rhythm is the first essential of true poetry. A red-blooded westerner of this second class wrote to the editor of a magazine of the first class, criticizing a poem, "Your poetry," as "rotten." If you could only listen to reason and try to learn how to make a magazine, but you easterners know it all so—what's the use?"—Atlantic.

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Boston.—Information obtained by the special rates commission on so-called insurance indicates that more than \$6,000,000 annually is paid by employees in Massachusetts for health insurance in one form or another.

A canvass

## DRAWN FROM LIFE

WASHINGTON IRVING USED FRIEND AS MODEL.

Jesse Merwin, Companion of Famous Writer, Was the Original "Ichabod Crane" in the "Legend of Sleepy Hollow."

Few people who have read Washington Irving's "Sketch Book" are aware of the fact that Ichabod Crane really existed, writes George N. Mac Donald in the Atlantic Monthly. Fewer still know that his grandfather, or that classical figure in American literature is a resident of Waycross, Ga.

Washington Irving, sorrowing over the death of Matilda Hoffman, his first and only love, sought and found a congenial retreat at Lindenwald, the home of Judge William S. Van Ness, twice Mayor of New York, in the mansion which afterward became the home of President Martin Van Buren. Irving wrote "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" and most of his "Knickerbocker's History of New York" while engaged in filling the position of private tutor to the nieces of Judge Van Ness.

At Lindenwald stood a small log schoolhouse, where Jesse Merwin, the village schoolmaster, trained the budding intellects of the youth of Kinderhook.

According to the prevailing custom, he sojourned among the farmers of the neighborhood, staying at each house successively, and at last

eventually arrived at the home of Judge Van Ness, and there became acquainted with the author of the "Sketch Book," a close intimacy springing up between them which lasted through life. They spent many hours together fishing in Kinderhook creek or in the nearby woods. At night they would sometimes go swimming, gassing a merry hour or so at the general fire-side of Katrina Van Tassel or Brom Bones, who, like Ichabod Crane, were people in actual life.

Among the letters of Washington Irving, found after his death, is one written to him by Jesse Merwin, on the 1st of November, 1851, in Irving's own handwriting, is penned:

"From Jesse Merwin, the original Ichabod Crane."

Harold Van Santvoord, a trustworthy literary critic, has in his possession an autograph letter written by Irving to his friend Merwin, recalling the days spent together at Lindenwald. A part reads:

"Do you remember our fishing expedition, in company with Congressman Van Allen, to the little lake a few miles from Kinderhook, and John Moore, the vagabond admiral of the lake?"

"By the way, that same John Moore and the anecdote you told me of him gave me the idea of the vagabond character, Dirck Schuyler, in my 'Knickerbocker History of New York,' which I then was writing."

"Tell me the old schoolhouse is torn down and a new one built in its place, and I will say for you that we have liked to see the old schoolhouse once more, where, after my morning's literary task was over, I used to come and wait for you occasionally until 'school' was dismissed."

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**An Intellectual Twister.**

Macklin was once lecturing on "Literature and the Stage" and in discussing the education of minors, he said that he could repeat any formula after hearing it.

Samuel Foote, the sardonic comedian, who was one of Macklin's auditors, wrote out and sent to the platform a sentence that has ever since been famous:

"So he went into the garden to eat a cabbage leaf to make an apple pie. At the same time a great she-har, coming up the street, pips its head into the shop."

"No scamp."

"So he died, and she very imprudently married the Pickaninnies, the Jumbelles and the Garrywilles, and the Grand Panjandrum himself; with the little round button at the tip; and they all fell to playing the game of catch-as-catch-can till the gunpowder ran out."

Macklin failed, and so does everybody that tries orally to repeat the confusing arrangement of words.—Despatch Free Press.

**Rope Tires.**

An emergency tire, which is said to have proved successful in Australia in helping to save the lives of many, is made of coconut fiber woven in the form of rope, and is strapped on to the rim. In appearance it is ungainly, but is said to have considerable effect, and is, moreover, very cheap.

It is, however, rather peculiar, as yet, in this country, to remark a moforing piano, though it is conceivable that in the future the dictates of strict economy may compel some of us to adopt rope tires, just as now we are compelled to use the once-despised paraffin.—London Mail.

**Filling Tree Cavities.**

If trees have very large holes within, so that the shell is thereby weakened, to fill this cavity with concrete is not always sufficient, for if the tree be thin and brittle it may be so easily split that the concrete will fall to the concrete core. Disease and insects may enter or the tree break with wind during a heavy storm. Braces in the shape of bolts, with big washers at each end, and tightly screwed up, may be necessary, these bolts to be later included in the concrete body.



### PROPHET IN WOODEN HOUSE

Emerson Led a Little Devoid of Indulgence and Left but Little for His Biographer.

Emerson occupied in the natural course of things the pontifical chair at Concord, Mass., in the days of New England's literary ascendancy when his contemporaries were men like Longfellow, Whittier, Hawthorne, Holmes and Lowell.

His wooden house, lonely and hospitable as simplicity and kindness could make it, had the dignities of philosophic supremacy.

Pilgrims of thought come and go in that household temple, they sit at the feet and circle round the hearth of the "rainless optimist," thinker and poet and teacher, whose one result is to add to the English biographer's "dust" but few know that his history must be written, he thought it to lead a life devoid of incident, of early untroubled happiness and of absolute conformity to the moral law!"

And the portrait has been drawn again and again of the tall figure with slender limbs, with hair and whiskers with bows not over high above the deep-set blue eyes (the blue-ness is emphasized), with the sensitive mouth and the semblance "as of a spirit intrusted with earthly interests."

All in the Viewpoint. The author of two "best sellers," you say?"

"He looks quite ordinary."

"I don't see how you can say that. Anybody seated at the wheel of a \$7,000 car looks distinguished to me."

A Consumer.

"You must realize that you are the ultimate consumer."

"I'm ready," replied Mr. Chug. "Every time I shave a gallon of gasoline into the tank."

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"No," answered the precise operator.

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# HEAVIEST VOTE IN NATION'S HISTORY

**Republican Landslide in East is Nullified by Losses in West**

**Hughes Carries Some Doubtful States--There Was a Strong Drift Toward Wilson in Minnesota, No. Dakota and Oregon**

Not since a next day's revision of the returns seated Grover Cleveland in the contest of 1882 has the country been compelled to wait so long to know the result of a presidential election.

More than four hours after the polls had closed President Wilson and Mr. Hughes were running a neck-and-neck race in doubtful States.

Aside from the uncertainty of the result the most remarkable thing about the election was the sudden wiping out of the landslide which had piled up in the East by the returns coming in from the West. When the Republican landslide in New York became known and was quickly followed by the heavy Republican victories in New England, there was a veritable stampede to announce the election of Mr. Hughes and the defeat of President Wilson.

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The first figures showed a narrow

margin in favor of Mr. Hughes in the West. The confidence of those who were predicting the election of Mr. Hughes, and not until the steady stream of Wilson majorities began eating the Hughes column piled up in the East did any of them suspect that the results would be almost evenly between the two candidates.

At midnight Tuesday it was apparent that the free predictions of a sweeping Republican victory throughout the country were being contradicted by the results from the West. As every hour saw the Hughes lead grow smaller, and then at daylight, without any decisive result, it became apparent that the battle was being fought out in the doubtful states with the advantage decidedly in favor of Mr. Wilson.

A great majority of the Progressives followed the lead of Theodore Roosevelt back into the Republican party and cast their votes for Hughes. In the balance of the States the women did not evenly between the two candidates.

New England remained true to its traditions and went Republican from Maine to Rhode Island, although by reduced majorities, particularly in Maine and Massachusetts.

The tremendous vote in New York State showed that the bulk of their votes were cast for their own lives to put Hughes into the White House, and the vote there, followed by the mounting Hughes returns from Illinois, another pivotal State, gave every body that Wilson had lost his battle.

The vote all over the country was of record-breaking proportions, and many of the private reports of the politicians were amazed at the size of the early vote and in some good-sized Western communities more than 75% of the registered voters had voted by noon in the morning. In others the number of ballots cast by noon exceeded a good margin the number cast during the whole of last election.

The record-breaking vote was a common report. Both President Wilson and Governor Hughes cast their ballots early in the morning. The former, however, in Princeton, where a large number of students greeted and cheered him. Mr. Hughes voted in a laundry in New York and was not in his ballot box when the returns came in. He declared, indeed, that thirteen always was his lucky number.

There was so much betting on the result of an election. Conservative estimates made in New York are to the effect that something like \$60,000,000 changed hands. Up to the very last of the odds were on Hughes.

**ALABAMA.** Alabama has returned the usual Democratic majority for Wilson. Republicans offered opposition in seven of the 67 counties.

In the seventh district, cutting off the Democratic majority is indicated, but the re-election of Democratic Representative Burnett is assured.

**ALASKA.** Incomplete returns give Alaska a slight lead over Charles E. Clegg, Progressive. Republican candidate for governor, was leading Gov. Hunt. Figures on the Senatorial contest were indefinite. Democratic lead in the State of Alaska was not definite.

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**KANSAS.** Returns from 1712 out of 2474 Kansas precincts give Wilson, 223,396; Hughes, 197,805.

There were several close Congressional fights. Representative W. B. Banks, Democrat of the Second District, was elected to Congress in 1912 and defeated Raymond B. Stevens, who was elected to Congress in 1912 and defeated for United States senator.

Sullivan and Wason are both re-elected, the former by a slightly increased majority and second by a plurality of 1,200. The Commonwealth has given so hearty an endorsement to the administration of the State government.

**WISCONSIN.** The figures on Wisconsin's election returns show that a solid Republican delegation will represent this State in the next Congress.

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## KENTUCKY.

Virtually complete figures from 10 of the 11 Congressional districts in Kentucky give Wilson 181,709, Hughes 183,452.

In the first nine Congressional districts of the State the present Democratic members of Congress were re-elected, with the exception of one man on the face of unofficial returns. The closest contest was between R. Y. Thomas, Democrat, and J. Frank Taylor, Republican. In the 10th district, Taylor indicated victory being about 600.

In the 10th District Congressman John W. Langley was successful by a narrow margin, while his opponent, a close contest between W. P. Martin, Progressive, and W. P. Martin, Republican, each carried his home county.

Louisiana is Democratic 50,000 to 60,000. The only contest was in the third district, where W. Martin, Progressive, and a close contest between W. P. Martin, Progressive, and W. P. Martin, Republican, each carried his home county.

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The benefit that comes from crying is largely the result of the change that takes place in a child's breathing. As the baby howls and sobs, its respirations are prolonged sometimes for as much as half a minute, and when they are interrupted it is by very short intervals.

Poor Comfort. Miss Bonds—it makes me sad to think I've had to refuse you, Archie. It hurts me as much as it does you. Archie Hardman—but not in the same place.

## WEST BROOKFIELD.

## RESOLUTIONS

Adopted at a Meeting of Div. 18 A.O., October 12, 1916, on the Death of Our Chaplain, Rev. Edward L. Judge.

WHEREAS: There has passed from our midst an honored member of our order who had served the ancient Order of Hibernians as Chaplain during his stay of three and one-half years among us.

Miss Blanche Adams, Worcester, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewlow W. Ford left Wednesday for Southern Pines, N.C., where they will spend the winter.

H. Ray Cheson, a student at Dartmouth college, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cheson.

Ralph Jaffray, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Jaffray, was taken to Memorial Hospital, Worcester, Sunday, for an operation.

A coat of tarvia has been applied to the Pleasant street road and other improvements have been made also the sidewalk from the corner of Main and Central streets to the intersection of Main and Main streets is to be raised under the direction of Daniel W. Mann.

West Brookfield Boy's club met with Miss Marguerita F. Fales yesterday afternoon. A paper on the composer, Porter Adams, was given by Miss Fales and on Gone Stratton Porter, by Miss Ruth H. Chapman; Mrs. Mary F. Holmes read an essay on Booth Tarkington; and Mrs. Arthur H. Ward on the Life and Works of Margaret Daniels.

Ellen A. (Powers) Coffey, aged 76, died of organic heart disease at her home on Central street, Friday morning, Nov. 3, after over a month's illness. She was born in Ireland, daughter of Michael and Maria (Russell) Powers, and lived in Brookfield until three years ago when she moved to West Brookfield. She is survived by two sons, E. J. Coffey, salesman for the Springfield Waste Paper Co. in Springfield, and S. J. P. Coffey, Cincinnati, and one daughter, Mrs. James D. Farley of West Brookfield. The funeral was held from Sacred Heart church, Monday morning at 8 o'clock. The bearers were John Nolan, Joseph Maloy, Walter E. Young and Michael Begley. Burial was in Springfield.

Resolved: That while humbly submitting to the will of our Heavenly Father in severing the earthly bonds which bound us to one another, it is a consolation to reflect that in the love and sympathy of the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians who have been so closely associated with him, will always be an ever-living ever-lasting influence from his well spent life, inspiring them to an unwavering devotion to all that is best, and highest in our grand and noble order to which he was so devoted.

Resolved: That we tender our profound and heartfelt condolence to the mourning family of our deceased Chaplain, and extend our sympathies to his brothers who have been deprived of the companionship of one who gave his life to the service of God, we convey our most sincere sympathy. May the knowledge of the character of our beloved Chaplain and Pastor bring them peace and consolation in the darkness of their sad bereavement.

Brotherhood: The name of the Ancient Order of Hibernians be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days out of respect to the memory of our departed Chaplain. This may not be given upon our records, and a copy printed in the North Brookfield Journal, also a copy presented to the family of our deceased Pastors.

WILLIAM J. DOYLE,  
DENNIS E. BOYLE,  
TIMOTHY J. MAHONEY,  
Committee.

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1916

## APPLY FOR A CHARTER.

The North Brookfield Post Office.

MAILS DUE TO ARRIVE

A. M. 6:45—East and West.

9:30—West.

3:30—East and West.

5:30—East and West. Mass. (only).

7:00—East and West.

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Two of the New Long Coats.

Perhaps you are looking for a coat which you will enjoy wearing in the evening and expect to press into service for afternoon occasions. In this case, you will be well advised to go with the assurance that your judgment is directed to the right quarter. Velvet stands midway between cloth and fur, having a restricted following of its own. At its best it is sumptuous or made so that it can be conveniently worn with a fur collar.

It also goes without saying that "velvet" includes velvetine, and that most of the coats made of either material are intended for evening wear. They are sumptuous affairs, in new or familiar colors, including robin's egg blue, emerald and light greens, coffee color, chrysanthemum, etc., etc. They all are trimmed with furs in the usual colors, or undyed, and white foxes are dyed in unusual colors.

A coat of velvet, trimmed with skunk

## FALSE CABBAGE APHIS

Found in Injurious Numbers in Fall of the Year.

Possibility of Its Importance as Greenhouse Pest Sooner or Later is Evident—Insect Injures by Sucking Plant Juices.

(By W. D. DAVIS.)

The false cabbage aphid, which closely resembles the cabbage aphid, is to be found in injurious numbers more often in the fall of the year and in large colonies on the undersides of the leaves of such crops as turnips and radishes. In addition, it occurs in greater or less abundance on cabbages, and especially on cabbages as on such wild plants as black mustard and shepherd's purse.

Another interesting and valuable point about the wild onion is that the spring bulbs rarely produce heads; consequently, if the infested land is plowed in the fall, a spring oat crop practically free of onions can always be secured. But for complete eradication of the onion, both fall and spring plowing is necessary.

**SENSIBLE RATION FOR HORSE**

System Used by Lumberman Keeps Animals in Hardy, Healthy and Vigorous Condition.

A gentleman engaged extensively in the lumber business in the North has a large number of horses which he feeds by a system which makes and keeps them healthy, hardy and vigorous.

The natural enemies of this aphid include the well-known lady-bird beetles, the larvae of certain syrphid flies, and various internal parasites. Climatic conditions have little effect upon the aphids. The usual in-

In feeding them he cuts the hay and grinds the oats; the hay being well soaked with water 14 hours before it is fed: A little bran is added to the ground oats and this mixed meal is fed to the horses.

The feed is given morning and night, oats alone being fed at noon.

The ration per head a day is ten pounds of the hay, ten pounds ground oats and one pound of bran, with eight pounds of dry oats fed at noon. During seven years of such feeding the lumberman has never lost a horse, while previous to that he often lost one from some digestive disorder.

Horses on the farm would not require such heavy feeding, but the combination of food and manner of feeding could be followed by farmers with profit.

**MAKING A SATISFACTORY DOOR**

Idea Shown in Illustration Will Be Found Useful for Other Purposes—Boards Are Tight.

To make batter doors so that the boards can be brought up tight together, is not always easy. Ordinarily such doors have cracks in them, as it is hardly possible to nail the pieces close. The following plan, though simple, makes possible a satis-

factory door.

**PREPARING SOIL FOR WHEAT**

Plant Requires Abundance of Food for Satisfactory Growing—Good Seeds Essential.

Wheat is a plant that responds very readily to good preparation of the soil. The plants require an abundance of available plant food for satisfactory growth. For this reason many thin lands would give better results with fertilizers.

Phosphoric acid has generally been found to give good results on poor soils. This is the constituent that stimulates the production of grain.

Bands of fertilizer always require good preparation of the soil. When wheat is sown in the soil, the latter is better, usually. To get it in the best condition it should be broken or disked early and given time to settle and crumble.

Good seeds are essential for strong plants and a good stand. Nothing but heavy, clean seed should be sown.

**EXCELLENT TONIC FOR STOCK**

Money Saved by Buying Ingredients and Mixing on Farm—Cost About 25 Cents per Pound.

If the cattle are not thrifty and need toning up, buy the ingredients and mix your own medicine; this will save money and you will get a better beef. The following is a most excellent tonic for all classes of stock in run-down condition from whatever cause:

Wheat bran, 25 pounds; flaxseed meal, 11 pounds; table salt, 5 pounds; powdered charcoal, 5 pounds; red pepper, 1 pound; resin, 2 pounds; potassium nitrate, 2 pounds; powdered powdered gentian, 2 pounds; ground ginger, 2 pounds, and gingerroot, 2 pounds.

Mix well and give one tablespoonful mixed in the feed once daily, for ten days; omit for three days, and feed as above for ten days more. This will cost about 25 cents per pound.

**CLOVER AND ALFALFA HINTS**

Much Depends on How Fowls Are Housed—Ventilation Is Most Difficult Problem.

Crops Kill Weeds and Plant Diseases, Produce Most Valuable Hay and Seed Creep.

Clover and alfalfa kill weeds and plant diseases.

Clover and alfalfa produce a most valuable hay.

Clover and alfalfa produce very valuable seed crops.

## KILLING WILD ONION PLANTS

Secret of Vitality Lies in Bulb Which Germinates in Fall—Destroy Pest by Plowing.

The secret of the vitality of the wild onion lies in the two sorts of underground bulbs. Each plant produces one large bulb and two small ones in the fall and four or five small ones which start growth in the spring.

Late fall plowing, followed by early spring plowing and planting the infested land to some clean cultivated crop destroys the wild onion pest by killing both sorts of bulbs as turpines and radishes. In addition, it occurs in greater or less abundance on cabbages, and especially on cabbages as on such wild plants as black mustard and shepherd's purse.

The experience of thousands is a safe guide to what it may be expected to do for you.

A liquid or tablets—both tested by the public and approved.

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## FILE OF DANUBE

WHERE THE FAMOUS "IRON GATES" ARE SITUATED.

Series of Dangerous Bowlders That Constitute Menace to Navigation, Though Steamers Make Their Way Through Them.

The Iron Gates, the last great defile of the Danube in its course to the Black Sea and the first point at which the Austrians launched an offensive against their new enemies, the Roumanians, is described in a bulletin issued by the National Geographic Society:

"Contrary to the general belief of readers to whom the term Iron Gates of the Danube is familiar, this famous defile of the chief waterway of Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria and Serbia does not derive its name from precipitous walls of rock through which the waters dash in a narrow channel, but at the Kazan defile, just below the dangerous boulders which nearly litter the river bed for a distance of nearly two miles, beginning at the once strongly fortified island of Ada Kaleh, which was captured by Hungary in 1878 and still is inhabited by a picturesque colony of 500 Turks. Opposite this island, on the left bank of the Danube and at the mouth of the inconsequential Bachana river, where here forms the Hungarian-Romanian boundary, is the attractive little town of Orsova, a town of 10,000 inhabitants, 237 miles west of Bucharest, railway, 237 miles west of the latter city."

"It was not until 1850 that work was begun in a definite and comprehensive manner to rid the Iron Gates of some of its gravest dangers to navigation. In that year a Hungarian engineering company undertaken the task of removing the rocks and a quarter of a mile of stone from the water course. Eight years after the enterprise was inaugurated the canal which had been hewn from the solid rock on the Serbian side of the river was ready to be thrown open to the commerce which plied the Danube from Budapest to the Black Sea. The canal was to provide a year-round channel ten feet deep whereas the original course of the river was not navigable for more than nine months out of every twelve."

"The opening of the waterway was the occasion for the most participated in which three million people participated. General Joseph of Austria-Hungary, King Alexander of Serbia and King Carol (Charles) of Romania. The festivities of the day were somewhat marred by the discovery that the current through the canal was so swift that while steamers could rush through it, they could not make the trip upwards, so that the old river course had to be used for westward bound traffic."

"When the water is high the rocks of the Iron Gates are completely submerged, but they are only a few feet beneath the surface, and the current is strong enough to give a terrifying sight to the timid passenger as his steamer fights its way to the calmer reaches in the vicinity of Orsova (pronounced Orshova), the first town in Hungarian territory, five miles above the rapids and a ten hours' journey by boat below Belgrade, the peace time capital of Serbia."

"The need of the gloomy gorge which most travelers expect to find, the banks on each side of the Iron Gates present a beautiful picture of gently sloping hills, bountifully wooded. In the early summer these woods are a fairylan of flowers, and the winds are fragrant with the perfume of wild blossoms in countless variety, while a short distance from the river the huntsman finds deer, wild boar, bear and game in abundance. Enhancing the charms of the scene are the songs of myriad birds, which make their home in the forests."

"The river processes eastward into the Danube, the wooded hills disappear and are succeeded by barren sand ridges."

**Water and Work.**  
"I heard a story the other day about the man who has always been water with his roof, and never knew the exact reason why," said Mose Seaman, manager of the Lyric. "The story goes that a tramp who had wandered all over the globe for a number of years, suddenly became imbued with a desire to learn how to read and write. He accordingly went about his studies in a secret manner and at the conclusion of a short time was able to read and write."

"After a time he resumed his habit of riding the bumper, on top, the side door or any other place that was handy as a means of riding the train without the use of money. He did this in a secret way, so as to avoid detection the first day, he resumed his travels. Upon looking up he saw a large sign in the distance which read 'Waterworks.' By George, said the gentleman of leisure, 'now that I know how to read and write I realize why I always hated the darn stuff!'" —Birmingham (Ala.) Age-Herald."

**Bad Teeth Wreak Havoc.**  
Domestic infidelity is frequently caused directly by neglect of the teeth, according to C. C. Stillman, executive secretary of the United Charities of St. Paul.

"Our investigators have frequently found that the neglect of the teeth, resulting in old roots growing into the jaw and becoming chronically painful have led to serious disagreements between man and wife."

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After They Got Going.

Hilda Jensen rushed up to Officer Cohen's office, that man is following me!"

"Fright, then I'll follow th' man," says Officer Cohen, who had been a member of the force for some time.

A crowd of small boys, seeing a policeman following a man, started in pursuit and followed the policeman, that a crowd of men, seeing a dog, the dog. In December, 1910, Schoeneweg was acquitted and brought suit for \$100 damages.

When the suit was up, came up Johnson, an English instructor in the boys' high school, said the board of health had advised the arrest and moved for dismission on the ground that the complaint did not state whether the action was for false arrest or malicious prosecution.

The purpose of the new motion is to amend the complaint to specify malicious prosecution.

Garden Plots and Patriotism.

We farmers, as a rule, are not a class of men who can boast of bank accounts, but months of the war, for instance, have taught us to purchase American flags, so our patriotism must manifest itself in some other form. One of my patriotic neighbors, by the way, has become so enthused over the matter of preparedness that he has laid out his small farm to resemble Old Glory, several rows of red-top beets representing the stars, and rows of white turnips alternated between them. On one corner of the plot six rows of cabbage heads indicate the 48 stars of the Union Jack, and on the fence post at the upper corner of this American vegetable flag sits a stuffed henhawk, which she had dropped, but by that time it had once again been demonstrated that all an idea needs is a bright patch in the clouds is seen, the course of the "old" being invisible.

Political Action of Light.

A curious difference in the light produced from the London anti-aircraft searchlights seems to be due to varying atmospheric conditions. Sometimes the beam shows uniform illumination throughout its entire length; at other times it is broken up into distinct patches of light and dark, and at other times only a bright patch in the clouds is seen, the course of the "old" being invisible.

eskiring Lamps.

It is better than the Eskimo lamp was invented before its possessors emigrated from their original home, which was probably farther south and near the seacoast. But the form of the lamp becomes more specialized the higher the latitude is. The lamps of southern Alaska have a wick of two inches, while those of the Far East have a wick of 17 to 36 inches. The lamp is employed for melting snow and ice to obtain drinking water, for cooking, lighting, warming, drying skins, and in the arts. It is also a social factor and the sign of the family unit, each head of a family having his lamp.

Bared by the Regulations.

Daniel Boone was too thin for his height to pass the present army requirements. Yet Daniel Boone opened the way to the conquest of the West by his skill in hunting and trapping.

Stopping by a wounded soldier, he was bared to the doctor, who dressed him promptly. One of the soldiers, seeing his majesty was interested in the man, thereupon asked the latter how he felt.

"Badly enough," replied the soldier. "But it is not my hurt I mind so much. It is rather that I was caught by this cursed bit of shell just had an awful time with the emperor was due to pass our way, and I have always wanted to see him."

"Well," said the orderly, "why, then, do you not look at him now, my son? He is there by your side."

"Don't tell me lies!" cried the wounded man angrily, "I am dying, and I am a good Christian with a glances of profound contempt. As if I did not know that emperors are not made like that!"

A Word to the Wise.

Rector—Our collection today, my dear brethren, is for clothing for the poor. At the same time, may I earnestly impress upon you, that though the collection is for the clothing fund it is still necessary to contribute to the poor.

"As if I did not know that emperors are not made like that!"

Before You Build or Make Repairs

let us give you our prices on first-class lumber that will work up without waste—and high-grade, fire-resisting roofing that cannot rot, rust, crack or leak. This roofing is

Proprietary RUBBEROID

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It doesn't pay to buy either shaky lumber or low-grade roofing. Well, if you select the choice lumber in the market, we'll tell you nothing that will not be true.

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RUBBEROID is the permanent guarantee of proven quality. Hundreds of roofs covered with it are still watertight after more than 20 years of service.

We carry the genuine, with the "Rubberoid Man" (shown above) on every roll. It comes in slate gray and colors—Tile Red or Copper Green.

Many thousands of citizens are individuals interested and instructed by this work. Such subjects are illustrated as the fly pest, milk supply, safety first, transportation, tuberculosis, infant welfare, dentistry, typhoid, life in the army, Panama canal, family budget and savings and Chicago beautiful.

E. M. C. A. Service.

Chicago commerce reports that the Y. M. C. A. is discharging an important civic service this summer in the giving of 62 free illustrated lectures in six of the parks under the control of south park commissioners, in the stockyards territory, these parks being Cornell, Davis, Hardin, Mark White, Fullerton and Sherman. This service ended September 3.

It is thought that these "ways" were used in ancient times to enable persons to cross over the downland ridges without being seen. They were formerly taken to be defensive, but the change of attitude of the workmen toward the company has more than repaid us for our efforts." By carefully safeguarding machinery, accidents were decreased one-half.

The government in the American home?" asks H. W. Foster, a prominent official of the National Fire Protection Association. "The husbands, fathers and big brothers? Not often. The wives and mothers' and the children, especially the little children. In hundreds of cases after our fair land each year there comes a widow, a widow of a dead mother, a child, burned to death, in almost every case, because of the criminal disregard which we as a nation have for the most elemental principles of safety from fire. Each year we lose through this agency almost 1,000 of our most precious assets—our children."

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"But the captain was still suspicious of him."

"My name's Lee—Walter Lee," Streetman asserted, "formerly of the British army. I've been in business in Belgium—the automobile business—unfortunately. And he warned Guy that he might get picked off by a German sniper."

"Not a chance!" Guy protested. "Please! It would be ripping ready to do something."

The captain perceived that the incident of waiting for an attack was fast setting Guy's nerves on edge. And at last he consented.

"For a little time Guy called out directions, who whooshed him along, relaying Guy's instructions to the battery. In the light furnished by the British bombs the youthful lieutenant carefully watched the effect of the shells that whistled over their heads and burst increasingly nearer to the tent on the left."

"That was the worst part of it all," the waiting. Heart-rending reports of happenings in many Belgian villages came out of his abstraction. He raised his head at once and looked intently at the civilian. Then he jumped up and approached Charlie with outstretched hand.

"I thought I recognized that voice!"

"It was mine," said Lee. "Guy Falcone."

"Hello, Guy!" the delighted American protested.

"I'm glad to see you again, Lee," Guy said.

"I came over with the first batch—brought the recruiting sergeant. And here I am!"

"What are you doing?" asked Lee.

"I'm here to recruit," Lee said.

**New and Useful Metal.**  
In locating bits of metal, French surgeons use an electro-vibrator, but this sets up oscillations in ordinary surgical instruments as well as in the amalgams, solders, and metals used in treatments. Have been found necessary. Bertrand and Guillaume report that iron-nickel alloys as a material offer difficulties of manufacture. A more suitable metal has been found in so-called "earns," which has been used for weights of precision, and is 90 per cent nickel. It is a combination of chrome manganese, and a little copper. It works like mild steel, is practically unoxidizable, and is not affected by magnetic vibrations.

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At the Congregational church Sunday morning the pastor will preach on the subject, "Have we faith big enough?" Preceding this he will give a talk to the boys and girls. At 7 o'clock service there will be an illustrated lecture on the Life of Shakespeare.

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# Poultry



## SAVE BEST SEED CORN

Careful Selection Will Increase Crop Yield.

Everyone interested in Industry Should Unite in Campaign for Day, on Which to Perform Duty—College Will Aid.

An increase of 1 per cent in the average stand and yield of corn will result in a 10 per cent increase in value, but careful field selection of seed corn can be made to result in an increase of from 5 to 10 per cent in next year's crop, according to R. H. Baker of the Missouri College of Agriculture. Mr. Baker bases this on experiment station figures, comparing the results of field experiments with field trials and finds that even day spent in judicious field selection can easily be made to bring the corn grower from \$10 to \$50 in increased yields. Farmers' clubs, industrial farms, and everyone interested in corn-growing should unite in a campaign for a seed-corn selection day on which every farmer in the country can participate along this line in his own field.

And the farm—the dairyman who grows his own feed, even though he may have no time to do so, must make his winter nights studying how to keep it from growing more fertile. Selling milk is about the hardest way to use a dairy farm, but he who sells butterfat sells nothing but sunshine, for a ton of butter isn't worth a wagon-load of stable manure as a fertilizer. They say it is worth about 75 cents.

**STORING ROOTS FOR WINTER**

Care Must Be Used to Prevent Heating—Should Be Left on Ground Until Thoroughly Dry.

Care must be used in storing roots for winter to prevent heating. Rutabagas put in the cellar damp and with considerable heat, roots of all kinds are very liable to heat, and roots of any kind that heat in the bin spot.

When weather conditions will permit roots should be left on the ground a day or two after pulling to dry out before storing in the cellar. The less earth that goes in the cellar with the roots the better it will be. Earth fills up the space between the roots and prevents the circulation of air.

When there is danger of the roots freezing in the ground and they have to be hauled in a wet condition, it is well to pull them outside the cellar and cover with straw and earth and leave them outside a week or more to dry out. If the covering is removed from the top during the day when not freezing they will dry out very fast.

This is much easier than to put them in the cellar wet and have to haul them out when they are found to be heating. Roots must be dry when stored to keep through the winter.

**FACTORS IN RAISING CATTLE**

Finest Animals are the Ones That Sire the Market—Hold on to Sire of Right Kind.

By W. L. BLIZZARD, Department of Animal Husbandry, Oklahoma A. and M. College.

Scrub cattle carried over the winter may mean money wasted. They had better be sold for breeding purposes.

The great shortcoming of beef warrants is raising all the good calves. Early maturity in feeders is invaluable. It is only secured by raising them from good quality, early maturing stock. A strong cannot, of itself, rise higher than its source; neither can cattle of its like.

In slight infestations the insects are nearly always found on old apple trees. The paring of the bark here and there, oak, poplar, and rose, but when the caterpillars are abundant, food becomes increasingly scarce and they will feed upon a great many different trees and plants.

**OVERCOME PEACH-LEAF CURL**

Source Checked by Application of Lime-Sulphur, Preferable in November or December.

The shrinkage that will take place in a crib of corn from the time it is sown until it is ready to be harvested is greatly in accordance with the amount of moisture the corn contains when placed in the crib, and also the ventilation of the crib, that it is impossible to state a percentage of shrinkage that will apply with certainty to any particular crib of stock.

Experiments show that the shrinkage in cribbed corn approximates 16 per cent for the first year and 20 per cent for two years.

That corn has not been kept dry during the winter is usually disposed of in early spring, for the reason that it is likely to spoil upon the approach of warm weather.

**BOX FOR CATCHING SWARMS**

Bees Immediately Take Advantage of Improved "Hollow Tree" and Cluster in and About It.

Most beekeepers try to catch swarms by nailing ladders to the eaves or by cutting down the branch to which the bees are suspended. Messrs. Roberts and Hartwick, two Illinois beekeepers, did not like the ordinary methods, and they like the exertion connected with "shimmying up."

Good bulls are scarce. Don't part with them. The tested sires will let the bull of good beef type with a good, strong, masculine head, good back, loin, and deep ribs. Strong, vigorous, masculine bulls with the proper conformation are the kind that are necessary to sire the right kind of calves.

The best method would be to crate them, but at any rate they should receive special feeding in close confinement for two or three weeks and then offered to a special trade at an advanced price. Siresters who have been advised that they must be held over for the higher prices that will prevail after the holiday season.

**COLONY HOUSES FOR WINTER**

More Convenient Than Large Building If Hens Can Run at Large Considerable Part of the Winter.

Trials have been made on the North Dakota experiment station farm with the intent of learning their value for the farm. Some were from Manitoba.

Wild rye and slender wheat grass were the only two that gave any promise, and these were not as good as bromegrass. The slender wheat grass is being used a good deal. It can be pastured and makes a good hay when cut early. When too mature it becomes woody.

In ordinary seasons hens can run at large during a considerable part of the winter. In this case the colony house is much more convenient than the large permanent house. The buildings are moved to a spot somewhat sheltered and backed with meadow hay, straw, and brushwood. While this is done the houses are just as comfortable as in the big house, in fact, we believe more comfortable in most cases. If the little buildings have been properly built they are warm enough.

## Orchard Information

Caterpillars Must Have Some Deciduous Foliage for Food—They Are Partial to Fruit Trees.

By W. E. BRITTON, State Entomologist, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station.

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Two ways of saving money

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That the One-Piece Frock Has Attracted Popularity is Evident.

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—Bags of Every Form and Material Are in Order.

TEXT—In whom the god of this world believes not, let the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.—II Corinthians 4:4.

When our Lord was about to leave the world, he said to his disciples:

"The prince of this world cometh and hateth nothing in me."

(John 14:30.) Shortly before he left he said:

"This is the judgment of this world, now is the prince of this world cast out."

(John 12:31; 16:11.) Undoubtedly, he referred to the judgment and victory of his own death.

The Usurper.

However, the execution of this judgment has been delayed and during our Lord's absence, the one whom he calls the prince of this world is "the god of this age." Satan is another name for him.

Satan himself, who is also called "the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience." (Ephes. 2:2.)

Our ideas of Satan have been gained largely from the way in which he has depicted him. According to the Scriptures, Satan is a hideous monster man so often portrayed him to be. On the contrary, he is a being of great dignity, so lofty that when Michael the Archangel disputed with him about the body of Moses, he durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, the Lord rebuke thee.

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## L. L. OF TITANIC DISASTER

Researchers of Ice Patrol Boats Have Exploded Many Theories Held in 1912.

After the loss of the giant White Star liner *Titanic* in April, 1912, by striking an iceberg, there was much discussion in Europe and America as to the possibility of adopting measures to lessen the likelihood of such disasters in the future, see P. T. Moran in the American *Journal of Review*. An "international conference for the saving of life at sea," which was held at London, resulted, among other things, in an undertaking by the principal marine powers of the world to maintain an ice service on the north Atlantic from June to June in each year.

It was agreed that this conference should be carried out by the various countries represented, the cost to be borne by them now, Britain, to pay 25 per cent of the total, Germany, France and the United States 15 per cent each and Austria, Belgium, Czecho-Slovakia, Italy, Holland, Norway, Russia and Sweden from 4 to 2 per cent each.

The American authorities instructed this patrol service with the naval scouts, Birmingham and Chester, but later assigned the revenue cutters *Savannah* and *Mississippi* to this duty, which still have some coast guard.

The first seafarers St. Johns was chosen for the work, but ultimately it was found more convenient to utilize Halifax, Nova Scotia, because the area patrolled was south of St. Johns and extended farther south as the seasons advanced, the numbers of icebergs became more numerous.

A theory exploded by the ice patrol ships is that the proximity of ice is marked by a notable lowering of air temperature. Experiments covering three years have proved that such is not the case, and that as a rule there is no appreciable difference in the air near an iceberg. Equally fallacious is the idea that the presence of a berg is denoted by a lowering of the temperature of the water. As a matter of fact the very contrary is the case.

Other theories, as that echoes indicate the presence of bergs, that the discloses itself through what is known as the "ice blink" and that submarine "ears" on ships will reveal the nearness of ice by its peculiar motion through the waves have been proved equally unfounded. The only reliable test of the commanders of these patrol ships is that the only safe way to navigate regions of icebergs is to stop during thick weather and to run very slowly on dark nights.

**Your Dreams and Your Health.** Scientific dream interpretation helps us to see ourselves as we really are; gives us intimate glimpses of the subconscious as well as conscious desires, fears and modes of thinking that enter into the making of our character and the shaping of our conduct.

The compilers of the *Art of Life* paper believe that one's dreams in a voyage went, rightly enough, on the theory that dreams are symbolic. But they err by assuming that they are always symbolic of future events, and that any particular dream element can always be interpreted as symbolic of the same.

Those who expect modern science to provide them with a dream manual akin to the old dream books, so that everyone may become his own interpreter at a glance, are consequently doomed to disappointment. Accurate dream interpretation almost always means dream and effort. But it will worth the trouble it costs. All who would discover unsuspected weaknesses and defects in themselves, who would gain a maximum of health, happiness and efficiency through right interpretation, will do well to seek to have their dreams interpreted.

And it is not only for the high life that scientific dream interpretation is worth while. There are dreams which, rightly interpreted, throw light on the state of the dreamer's physical health, sometimes in actual disease, sometimes in still avert serious disease. There also are dreams which give valuable information regarding people of the dreamer's acquaintance. There are other "exceptional" dreams, needlessly looked upon with superstitious awe by many persons—Mother's Magazine.

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Indeed, the value of pianos made daily in our country is three and one-half times as great as the value of phonographs, but the number of pianos made daily is smaller than it was five years ago, while the value of its great rival has increased by half.

Uncle Sam tells us that two years ago we paid \$10,000,000 for talking machines and \$1,000,000 for the records which they played. The talking machine is now quoted at about \$1,100 a share and stockholders bank up dividends of \$120 a share this year. Philadelphia Ledger.

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## ON PINE MOUNTAIN

Pathos of Conditions in Corner of Unknown America.

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### Honest Effects.

Moses was fated never to enter the Yankees in Mexico. Mexican politeness, like Spanish politeness, is of the pernicious kind. Thus, one of the flowers of speech which he taught so wisely and so daringly. Yet still the world moves on, and the mysterious and unexpected is a pleasure to the ear. His "bumble house" belongs not to himself at all but wholly to his guest, and that the latter may do with it what he will.

Once this phrase cost a Mexican some worry. He met an enterprising Yankee who was in Mexico drumming up business, and when he told him to his host, told him that the house and all its belongings were his.

And the guest took the host at his word.

He had his baggage moved from the hotel to the Mexican's mansion, proceeded to occupy that man's home.

In 1878 autumn leaves were sent to me from England.

In 1823 camus husks were made into paper in England, part of which furnished the title-page for "Corbett's Treatise on Corn."

Corbett having grown the corn. In 1839 tan bark was made into paper in England. In 1854 an English patent was issued to Alexander Brown, a Scotchman, for the making of paper from ferns. In 1862 staves of maize and sorghum were made into paper.

**A Wonderful Maze.**

At Waltham, Mass., there is a maze which is a duplicate of the historic one in the Tower of London. It is 100 feet wide, 100 feet long, and 100 feet high. All the exhibits, too, are equally excellent, and rather more so, for, since its foundation in A. D. 756, no addition has been made to its collection!

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\$1,000,000 to Be Raised for Benefit of New England Farmers—Expenses of Candidates in Recent Election.

Best Spellers in U. S. Are to Be Found in Springfield. Springfield—This city holds the record for school spelling throughout the country, according to tests made in the Forest Park school.

The results were compared with results of tests on the Russell Sage Foundation scale.

Leaders in this scale are:

First, Forest Park School;

Second, Clark Mount-

schools;

Third, Salt Lake City;

Fourth, Cleveland; fifth,

Bethel, Me.

## FRANCIS JOSEPH DEAD IN VIENNA

### Austrian Emperor Succumbs at His Schoenbrunn Palace

#### LONGEST REIGN ON RECORD

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BOSTON POLLED LARGEST VOTE IN HISTORY

99,034 Ballots Cast in Recent Election.

BOSTON—The Massachusetts Forestry Association will act as one of the national forests and parks commissioners.

To give some information on the subject two illustrated lectures, open to the public, will be given at the Twentieth Century Club, 3 Joy street, beginning at 2 o'clock, Dec. 14.

Incidentally the association has indicated its interest in the planting of white pine and the existing danger from white pine blaster rust in this and other states. Harris A. Reynolds, the secretary, in the conclusion of a circular on this topic, says: "The white pine must be saved. Commercial tree even at tremendous expense we should handle this problem in a vigorous manner from the start. It is poor economy to trade with any matter which endangers a valuable natural resource such as the white pine. The people in the interest of public economy should demand that this be done. We can't afford to let our fashion and the money for this purpose be furnished unthinkingly. Radical measures should be employed from the beginning and our Legislature should clothe the officers charged with the eradication of this disease with sufficient authority to render their work effective."

### TO RAISE ONE MILLION.

New England Farmers Will Receive the Benefit.

BOSTON—A campaign to raise \$1,000,000 to carry on field work to advance the cause of agriculture in New England has been started. The movement is one of the most important for the rural districts that have ever been undertaken in New England.

The details of the plan of carrying on the field work for the promotion of agriculture in New England will not be made public until it has been approved by the board of directors. The campaign is the result of the big national dairy show held recently in Springfield.

The committee in charge of the campaign includes John T. Murchison, president; R. L. Chapman, H. A. Moses, Springfield; J. L. Brooks, Springfield; president; Wilton H. Lee, New Haven; Edward W. Hazen, Bremen, R. I.; Edward W. Hazen, Bremen, C. E. Bertman, Pike, N. H.; C. E. Embree, Waterville, Me.; Herbert Myrick, Worcester; John A. Schreiber, Springfield; and Francis Joseph, secretary of the Hampden County Improvement League, is the secretary of the preliminary organization.

### Worcester Also Anxious.

Worcester—By an unanimous vote of the special committee, the clergymen who are interested in securing the speaking services of Billy Sunday in this city, an invitation has been extended to the evangelist in Boston. The dates asked for are Dec. 11 or Dec. 12 and the meeting will be held in Mechanics Hall. Sunday will speak again at the Tabernacle back to Boston early Monday evening. There is a strong feeling here in favor of the evangelist and there will be no trouble in filling Mechanics Hall.

Trustees of Amherst Accept \$100,000 Gift.

Amherst—The trustees of Amherst College have accepted a gift of \$100,000 from Mrs. Rufus Pratt Lincoln of Plainfield, N. J., for a professorship in science, to be called the Professor Tyler Lincoln Professorship.

The gift is in memory of Rufus Tyler Lincoln, the son of Dr. Rufus Lincoln, who died in 1900, a year before his father.

Dr. Lincoln, Charles Francis was born on Aug. 17, 1887. His wife is Princess Zita, of the Bourbon house of Parma. His father was the Archduke Otto, who was the younger brother of Francis Ferdinand.

AMERICANS MURDERED BY PRUSSIA.

Prussia—The death of Francis Joseph is a remarkable climax to the long list of tragedies in the Hapsburg family—a list unparalleled in any other reigning house in Europe. He died in the midst of the world's greatest war, which he himself largely brought about, by his decision to avenge the assassination of his uncle, the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, as the result of an alleged Serbian conspiracy, while on a state visit to Austria.

Mr. Mansfield, a Prussian agent, was probably sent to him for political and military information in the various publications of the city. Automobiles cost Mr. Mansfield \$429, while red fire required an expenditure of \$56.

Lt. Werner Horn Taken to County Jail at Detham.

Detham—Lt. Werner Horn of the German Landshut, who is awaiting trial in the United States district court on charges in connection with the attempt to blow up the international bridge at Vanceboro, Me., on Feb. 3, 1915, has been removed from the Plymouth county jail to the Norfolk county jail at Detham, Conn.

Consumers' League Urges 8-Hour Day for Women.

Springfield—Delegates to the 17th annual convention of the National Consumers' League assembled in this city, passed a resolution which will be sent to President Wilson suggesting that a bill providing an eight-hour workday for women be included in the legislative program that he will urge upon Congress.

Secretary of War Newton D. Baker has been re-elected president of the league.

1,000 Pairs of Shoes a Day.

Brockton—During the last year, according to figures obtained from Postmaster Edward Gilmore, \$12,000 pairs of Brockton-made shoes have been shipped through the local office by parcel post. This number is far greater than any previous record. This is an average of about 1,000 pairs of shoes for every working day of the year.

Mariboro Republicans Renominate Farley.

Mariboro—Forcemen of this city at their annual caucus, renominated at a second term Mayor Lewis Farley and named their selections for the other places on the municipal ticket.

His popularity reached beyond the army. He was truly the idol of his people, and especially at Vienna. His tall, gaunt figure was familiar to every Viennese. He rode through the streets unguarded, bowing to the salutations of his loving people.

The ultimatum of July 23, 1914,

which Francis Joseph sent to King Peter of Serbia denouncing the anti-

## ALLIES ENTER MONASTIR

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#### WILL REESTABLISH CAPITAL

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AS HE SPOKE, SOMETHING CAME BURSTING DOWN TO EARTH.

"LOOK OUT, BOY! FOR GOD'S SAKE DON'T GET HIT!" Captain Montague could no more keep back his involuntary scream than he could stay the death that threatened them.

In another moment there was a terrific explosion. Trench 27 rocked with the force of it. The bombproof shelter fell as if it were made of cardboard, burst open and the earth heaped up dirt at the top of the trench was scattered like so much sand.

There was no longer any light in that little inferno except what came from the starlit heavens. Men—or what had once been men—lay motionless where the powerful explosive had flung them. Others lay dead and bleeding. Her face showed pale and wan in the half-light of the dim church.

"SHE HAS A PASS FROM GENERAL FRENCH'S HEADQUARTERS," the man added.

"MAY I BE OF SERVICE?" the doctor asked her.

Doctor Aubrey turned as the Red Cross man spoke; and his glance encountered a girl—an English girl, dressed in a suit once white, but now torn and bedraggled, and her face showed pale and wan in the half-light of the dim church.

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**THE BOY AT AN AGE HE LOOKS BACK TO WITH REGRET.**

**When He Balks at Cutting Grass and Takes Himself and His Future in the Most Serious Fashion.**

He has just arrived at that age when nobody understands him. His father wants him to learn a good trade, like carpentry or automobile repairing, but he has fully decided that he will be either a lawyer, a lawyer or an actor, preferably a moving picture actor. He understands vaguely that a corporation is a business organization, and he is not much interested in law, but he has heard his father speak admiringly of a corporative lawyer and would be rather pleased to be spoken of in that connection. Also he has heard it said that a corporation lawyer must possess a quick intellect and a profound understanding of human nature, and he believes he possesses both. For similar reasons he inclines toward the actors' profession. An actor always has a good time, and he has heard of some who earn a thousand dollars a week. Moreover, actors are much admired—he admires one or two that he has seen at the corner theater himself—and there are other attractions which secretly influence him, such as beautiful actresses, although he would never admit this even to himself.

He has supreme confidence in his entire fitness for either profession and cannot understand why his father does not encourage his ambitions, says a writer in the Indianapolis News. He sincerely believes that his parent is of rather inferior intellect, else he would have understood his son and properly gauged his abilities. Of late he has run to bolt at cutting the grass. He says the sun makes him sick, but the real reason is that he thinks cutting the grass incompatible with the dignity of a future man. He has, however, found him out in the attic and has been told and charging an imaginary enemy, then strengthening his naturally stooped shoulders and falling backward with his hand on his heart shouting all the while in his queer voice, which at the present time is wavering between a coarse, bull-like laugh and a thin squeak.

He seems to be right of the fact that he is going to be either a corporation lawyer or an actor, and is continually rehearsing for one profession or the other. When he walks he endeavors to imitate the debonair grace of his favorite motion-picture hero and he is continually boasting to his boy companions. They, for the most part, take him at his own valuation and listen respectfully when he orates on any subject from baseball to politics, of both which he thinks he has a thorough grasp. He means to buy long, objects simply and sometimes when ordered to have it cut, and is in a fever of uncertainty as to whether it is more becoming to part it in the middle or on the side. His ties and socks are very loud and short. He talks loudly and rowdily, and asks many questions when anybody will listen to him. The only thing in the world he cannot understand is why his father, and occasionally even his mother, smile at him when he is talking more seriously, but he fully understands that he is misunderstood.

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All retail merchants outside of food dealers, and all organizations such as Consumer's League are advising to "Shop Early" at Christmas. Why not apply that advice to Thanksgiving and include it in the markets and Grocers?

Why put off ordering the Thanksgiving dinner until say the day before?

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### TURKEYS

We are going to find Turkeys and other Poultry enough to go round for Thanksgiving, as we have every year in the east. We wish we could consistently say to you that it is going to be cheap, but from all information we have now that every shipper expects to sell his poultry higher than previous years. What we are interested in, of course is to obtain it at the lowest price we can for our customers, and we wish you to understand that no effort will be spared to make Poultry prices in Worcester and Providence the lowest in the East.

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LINCOLN SQUARE MARKET**

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"Yes," he said, "we must come down to earth again. I've brought home a small bottle of very cheap claret, which I think I shall have to drink in the future."

"Good!" she responded. "And I have made a pair of furniture polish from an old recipe, ever so cheaply."

It was a few days afterward that Mrs. Hayes again spoke to him.

"How was I to know," he stammered, "that you'd put your furniture polish into a wine bottle? Great wonder I'm not poisoned!"

"And how was I to know I was polishing the table with your old claret which she fired back?" And he answered very well, "when you drink the furniture polish you said it was a very good use for the price!"—Pittsburgh Chronicle-Tribune.

**A Heroic Poem.**

There is no life of a man, faithfully recorded, but is a heroic poem of its sort, rhymed or unrhymed.—Thomas Carlyle.

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**TKIN FOOD SUPPLY.**

A notice from Constantinople published in the German press states that a special committee has been appointed to work out the details of a central scheme for the organization of the Turkish food supply, and especially of the grain harvest, the government having recently set up a committee of experts for the establishment of the department. Municipal authorities have already received instructions to buy up stocks and to have them distributed to the population in certain quantities at moderate prices, but he fully understands that he is misunderstood.

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## OPENING GUNS

MASSACHUSETTS TURNS PEDA-GOGUE—EXPLAINS NEW LAW.

(First Article)

Massachusetts has turned school-masters into tax lawyers.

Such a flood of inquiries about the new state income tax law prompted the Tax Commissioner's office to issue a circular letter to all schoolmasters, teachers, business men, farmers, widows and trustees, church clubs, boards of trade, and others who wanted to know whether and how the new tax law hits them.

The letter was prepared for a speaker to explain the law.

The demands were so insistent that they had to be met. In addition to its other activities, the State turned schoolmaster, tutor, lecturer, and entertainer. A public-relations department was organized, and the education wealth was secured for its leading members.

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## ART OF ANCIENT CRETANS

It Was Very Different From That of Early Egyptian Times, Says Writer in Century.

"There could hardly be a stronger contrast than between the two temperaments of Crete and Egypt, for it is a contrast in fundamental as well as in superficial respects. Cretan art is not monumental; it is an art of small things, so often so small in idea as well as in material scale, that genre is the term that best describes them. Again it is most remarkable that Cretan art is not conventionalized, but is singularly trumpeistic, naturalistic, and its spirit, its aims, its themes, are not grave and religious, but secular and animated.

Free Speakers  
Artists, lecturers, and speakers have been scheduled in many sections of the state. Subject to conflict of dated speakers will be gladly furnished on application to any gathering of citizens in the state. In order that appropriate speakers be available to speak as far as possible, it is hoped that organizations will be willing to pay the actual travelling expenses and hotel expenses, if any, of the speakers, but even this will be paid by the Commonwealth whenever the local organizations are unable to do so.

It is to be hoped that local organizations who are requested to register their opposition to the increase of governmental authority over wages and conditions of labor.

Hearing devices of William F. Linton, a certain tract of meadow land situated on the Quabog river in said Brookfield and bounded as follows:

On the west by a tract of railway land

on which a bridge is located;

on the south by a tract of land

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Most Useful Tools Requires Little Study  
—Explanation of Its Value and  
Properties Makes the Printed Plain.

Owing to the unprecedented volume of express traffic, the American Express Company is instructing their employees throughout the country to co-operate with the department stores and other merchants in a systematic campaign to lessen the Christmas congestion. Although this crisis arises every year as regularly as the holidays come around, the extraordinary conditions of transportation prevailing at the present time accentuate the need for early shipping the year. The railroads are already under high pressure, but it is believed that with the holiday shipping season stretched over the entire month of December, more adequate service will be given than if the entire Christmas movement is limited to the week immediately preceding Thanksgiving. In spite of the large number of thousand-dollar shipments the word suffers, the early shipping agitation advanced during recent few days by department and other stores has done much to alleviate the hardships of those whose duties it is to serve the Christmas public.

The long arm of the square is called the body and the short arm is called the tongue. The junction between the body and the tongue on the outside of the square is nothing but a nail. The mark itself indicates on the steel plate that it is nothing but a nail. It is not required any knowledge of the trade to make a mark like this in any case, and after a few hours' work, study every mark should be easily understood.

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In the article the face of the square will be the side toward the observer when the body of the square is held in the left hand and the tongue in the right. This is true except with the North American Express Co., who take the tongue in the left hand and the body in the right.

The most important marks on the steel square are its graduations, which are divided into inches and fractions of an inch. It is just as necessary that the graduations be perfect as for the body to be at right angles with the tongue. The inch may be divided into eighths, sixteenths or even thirty-second parts.

The first scale will be very large, will be the bottom scale. This scale is on the face of the tongue of the square and is shown by dots along the middle, the inches being numbered in tens, the first number being one. The second scale is on the tongue, the numbers are read as follows: Let it be required to make an octagon or eight-sided post from a stick of timber 12 inches by 12 inches. First divide the end of the stick into four equal parts by lines parallel to the faces, now set off from each side one-eighth of an inch, then lay off spaces from the octagon scale so the tongue is in square, in this case it would be 12 inches. These points represent the angles of the octagon.

The brace scale, which is on the middle of the back of the tongue of the square, consists of two equal numbers placed side by side, which represent the two legs of a right angle triangle, the number at the right represents the hypotenuse of this triangle. Some squares have the two legs unequal but the scale is used the same way. The use will be seen from the following: Let it be required to make a square post 12 inches by 12 inches on the post and 39 inches on the beam, by looking at the scale we find the brace must be cut 55.16 inches.

**Professional Women in Russia.**

From the middle of the last century the women of Russia have asserted their eagerness for professional training. Teaching, surgery, midwifery and government service have attracted the greatest number. When the medical schools were closed to them, they went to Switzerland and other foreign countries. A Russian girl took a doctor's degree at Zurich in 1867. In the early seventies the admission of women to medical schools was a novelty in Russia. In 1876, woman surgeons in numbers distinguished themselves at the front in the Serbian-Turkish war; the same distinguished service has been given by them in the Russo-Japanese war and in the present conflict. Today women in our cities there are many more female than male dentists. More than 62 per cent of the teachers in the seminario schools are women, and the census of 1887 showed that there were four women to every five men who are public services.—Richard Washburn Child in *Century*.

**Women Doing Work.**

A short time ago farmers in the United Kingdom were declaring that women could not possibly take the place of men on the land. Women have been engaged ever since in proving that they could do so. The farmer has been constrained to admit, step by step, that first graders, then girls with good opportunities, that there is nothing that a man can do on the land that a woman cannot do, not even plowing except.

Now there comes a special model who did the entire sowing and reaping of her land single-handed.

**Different Methods.**

"Which would you rather vote for, an old-fashioned politician or an up-to-date reformer?"

"I believe I would prefer the old-fashioned politician to be crooked."

"It's not nice. He has a courteous way of soliciting my vote that tickles my vanity, while these reformers who think they are battling for a righteous cause don't stand on ceremony and rudely demand my vote."

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TESTAMENTS OF NOTED LAW  
YERS OFTEN SET ASIDE.

Questioning the Sanity of the Deceased Usual Method of Evading His Wishes as to Disposition of His Property.

Will making is the great post mortem lottery of civilization. It will, as it were, be measured by the extent to which by-products are utilized. That word by-products means a thing which is obtained in the process of manufacturing something else. For instance, manure is a by-product obtained in the production of milk or beef, and the efficiency of a farm business may be measured pretty accurately by the way in which this by-product is utilized.

It is our purpose to co-operate with the merchants in this movement, and we have printed for distribution over a million pamphlets on "How to Ship Christmas Packages," and are making an early distribution of three million especially printed Christmas labels. Each year many thousands of shipments are made daily, and when they bear the label "Don't Open Until Christmas," the result is the same if they were not pur chased until the night before Christmas.

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CLOCK TO BE DEPENDED ON

Cleveland Claims the Record of Having the Most Accurate of World's Timekeepers.

In the Case School of Applied Science in Cleveland there is a clock that holds the world's record for accurate timekeeping. Over a period of several months it showed a variation of only eighteen-hundredths of a second a day, a variation which in a year would be less than three seconds.

Ship chronometers, which are the most accurate time measuring instruments in general use, cannot keep time within less than three to five seconds a month. Marine observations are absolutely dependent upon them, and the accuracy of these instruments is of the utmost importance.

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# THE LONE STAR RANGER

This is a story about the Texas Plains People

By ZANE GREY

This is a rushing story of the wild border days in Texas—the days when the desperadoes, their desperate contests between outlaws and rangers, incident after incident upon another—hard-bread escapes, deeds of thrilling adventures, many chivalry, and devoted love. The hero is a maverick, man-hunting, who deems in a wild country rival the deeds of Scotch Highland chiefs which Sir Walter Scott has given us in his great romances. You'll want to follow the fortunes of Buck Duane in "The Lone Star Ranger."

CHAPTER I.

So it was him, then—an inherited fighting instinct, a driving intensity to kill. He was the last of the Duanes, that fierce, fanatical family, born with the memory of his dead father, nor the warning of this uncle who stood before him now, had brought to Buckley Duane so much realization of the dark, passionate strain in his blood. More than once he had been in the power of a strange emotion, that for the last three years had arisen in him.

"Well, he'd hardly have said much. Dad never talked. But he would have known a lot about Cal Bain's doings at Eversall." "If he's a schmuck, you bad," said White. "He's got a fast horse—the fastest I know of in this country. After you meet Bain hurry back home. I'll have a saddlebag packed for you and the horse ready."

"It's got to feel this rampant he wants to run. If he meets you he'll try to kill you."

Here it stirred in Duane again, that bursting push of blood, like a wind of flame shaking all his inner being, and subduing to leave him strangely chilled.

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"I quit when I found out she was bad."

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"I'd Never Hang."

Just avoid him. Buck, I'm not afraid Cal would get you. You're a good boy, but I don't see you'll kill Bain."

Duane was silent, letting his uncle's newest words sink in, trying to realize their significance.

"Buck," went on the uncle, "you're twenty-three now, an' a powerful sight of a fine fellow, barrin' your temper. You've a chance in life, but if you don't grow up, you'll kill a man."

The ranger's words could make you an outlaw. This even-break business doesn't work with them. If you resist arrest they'll kill you. If you submit to arrest, then you go to jail."

"I never hang," muttered Duane, smirking.

"I reckon you wouldn't," replied the old man. "You'd be like your father. He was ever ready to draw—ready, like times like these, with the Texas rangers enforcin' the law, your dad would have been driven to the river. He was killed in a street-fight. As it

was told of him, that he shot twice, after a bullet had passed through his heart. Think of the terrible nature of a man, to be able to do that. If you have any such blood in you, never give it a chance."

"What you say is all very well, uncle," returned Duane, "but we can't do it. Cal Bain and his outfit have already made me look like a coward."

"Well, then, what're you goin' to do?" inquired the elder man.

"I haven't decided yet—"

"I know what you mean. It's mighty fast. That terrible spell is workin' in you. You're gettin' cool an' quiet, an' you think deep. I don't like the light in your eye. It reminds me of your father."

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## State Income Tax

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THE NEW TAX  
LAW IN DETAIL

(Third Article)

What is Unchanged.

Taxation of Massachusetts corporations, banks, inheritances, polls and the various license taxes remain unchanged by the new law.

Non-Taxables.

So also there is no change (except as far as in the paragraph) in the list of non-taxable corporations. The following have been and continue to be non-taxable.—Shares of stock in corporations organized under the law of Massachusetts; bonds of the United States and certain bonds of Massachusetts and various bonds of Massachusetts savings banks and deposits up to \$1,000 in the savings departments of Massachusetts trust companies, and loans secured exclusively by mortgages of real estate, taxable or not, situated in Massachusetts, to an amount not exceeding the value of the mortgaged real estate. Income derived from such sources need not even be mentioned in the tax return. The same is true as to dividends from American Telephone & Telegraph Company, New England Telephone & Telegraph Company, and Western Union Telegraph Company.

The only securities hereafter taxed which heretofore have been non-taxable are shares in partnerships, associations, or trusts, the beneficial interest in which is represented by transferable shares.

**THE SIX PER CENT TAX.**

As to the income derived from the non-taxable mentioned in the preceding paragraph, there will be levied in 1917 a tax of six per cent on all income received during the calendar year of 1916 from (a) interest from bonds, notes, money at interest and all debts the principal of which is due in 1917; (b) dividends on shares in all corporations and joint stock companies organized under the laws of any state or nation other than Massachusetts, except national banks; (c) dividends on shares in partnerships, associations, or trusts, the beneficial interest in which is represented by transferable shares.

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Popular Mechanics.

**Business.**

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**Not Gross.**

As the intent of the act is to tax net, rather than gross income, Section 3 provides for certain deduction from the gross income taxable at the six per cent rate.

The deductions are carefully safeguarded and the taxpayer who is affected by the provision should take advantage of it. In fact, it is doubtful as to its application to his particular case should he consult the Income Tax Assessor or some Department in his district.

While it is true that anyone receiving any income must make a claim for exemption, nevertheless, under Section 4 he is entitled to an exemption of three hundred dollars of that part of his income derived from such sources if during 1916 his total income from all sources does not exceed six thousand dollars.

Except in the case of minors or others who do not earn their own living this exemption will affect but few persons.

**ANNUITIES.**

Section 5 provides for a tax of one-and-one-half per cent (1 1/2%) upon one-half of the annuity, with the same exemptions as are provided in Section 4, but no person shall have exemptions under this paragraph and under Section 4 exceeding in all three hundred dollars of income.

United States pensions are not taxable, as are annuities and are not taxable, but some kinds of city and state pensions are taxable. If you have a pension find out from your District assessor whether it is taxable or not.

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MEXICANS NOT ALL 'BAD MEN'

American Woman Gets a Glimpse of the Good Side of Bandits Who Follow Zapata.

This afternoon my benevolent guest met up with me again. All our friends had driven down to an international committee meeting. Unknown to me, Miss Eleanor saddled Israeli, Jim Junior's donkey, and rode off down Talipan road to explore. Presently she came peeling back through the gates, her serious face flushed and smiling. "It is what skinny folks has. It is you people, boys, who are so good to me. I wish you a happy new year. I wish you a happy new year."

"A Merry Christmas to you all. A song I've often sung. But don't forget the skinny kid. And pay for his new song."

There are thousands of Jerry's all over the United States who have long lungs, and a chance to save their old ones. The Red Cross Seals help to provide an air school, sanatorium, and home care for such boys as Jerry.

**Had a Good Voice.**

Zenellato, the tenor, like all noted opera singers, is besieged by all sorts of people with requests to hear voices. But he has an extraordinary sense of humor. One day a lady asked him to sing. "I am a good singer," said Zenellato, "but I am not a first-rate president of France that he could 'eat codlings twice a day.'

The king of Italy and Spain both had weaknesses for sweets, such as whipped cream, chocolate and tarts. King Victor Emmanuel is also fond of his pepper and garlic. He can hold his nose with oil, pepper and garlic. He is as international as the meat sauce I had in Spokane, which is called International because of the many different kinds of fruits is likely to give a useful means of classifying the various kinds, and may prove of value in showing the relationships of varieties. In his novel experiments, Prof. E. C. Smith, of Cornell University, has cut thin sections from the center of mature specimens of various apples and pears. The sections were first dehydrated with alcohol, and were then soaked in a mixture of xylo and cedar oil. They became beautifully transparent, and in some cases, stood out distinct and in relief. The late house considered potable to be his favorite fish. He was an exceedingly plain eater. The remarkably aged emperor of Austria has a craving for the peculiar dish of "serves" tongue, for a drink of a cold wine, and for cold water. The German emperor is exceptionally susceptible to the temptation of well-buttered toast.

**Meteors of All Sizes.**

Among the collection shown in the new building of the National museum in Washington is a remarkably fine exhibit of meteorites. It includes complete specimens ranging in size from a few milligrams to several kilograms.

They masses, and casts representing giant forms like that of Bacchus, which has been estimated to weigh 26 tons and still rests where it fell in Mexico.

**Sacrifice of Christ.**

"A sacrifice cannot afford to miss the public during a campaign."

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**Gigantic Coalship.**

The largest coalship in the world—the Milazzo—recently docked in New York. She is owned by an Italian, Carlo Mazzola, who has a well deserved reputation for himself as an inventor of transporting machinery. The Milazzo can hold 14,000 long tons of coal and 4,500 tons of oil. She is a remarkable storehouse of intricate machinery. Coal cars run on tracks in her vast interior.—Popular Science Monthly.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1916

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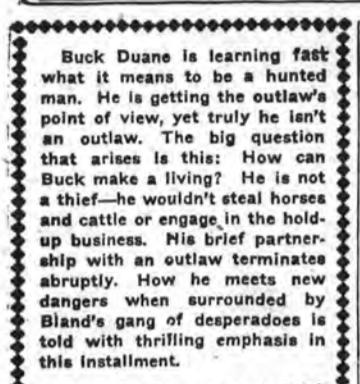
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# The Lone Star Ranger

## A Fine Tale of the Open Country

By ZANE GREY



SYNOPSIS.

Buck Duane is learning fast what it means to be a hunted man. He is getting the outlaw's point of view, yet truly he isn't an outlaw. The big question is, can he stand it? How can a buck make a living? He is not a thief—he wouldn't steal horses and cattle or engage in the hold-up business. His brief partnership with an outlaw terminates abruptly. How does he meet his end? He is surrounded by Bland's gang of desperadoes in this installment.

**SAFETY DEMANDS  
FEDERAL CONTROL  
OF THE RAILROADS**

**Only Way to Meet Emergencies  
of Nation, Says A. P. Thom.**

**STATES' RIGHTS PRESERVED**

**Principles Which Railways Hold Should  
Govern Regulatory System in Interests of Public and the Roads—Com-  
pulsory System of Federal Incorpora-  
tion Favored.**

Washington, Dec. 4.—That the interests of national defense require that control of railway lines should rest with the federal government and not with the states was the claim advanced by Alfred P. Thom, counsel to the Railway Executives' Advisory Committee, in concluding his preliminary statement of the case for the railroads before the Newlands Joint Committee on Interstate Commerce.

"We must be efficient as a nation if we are to deal successfully with national emergencies," said Mr. Thom, "and that implies that effective transportation is an essential condition of national efficiency. If we are to help and weaken our transportation systems by state lines, by the permanent imposition of burdens by unwise regulation, we will make national efficiency impossible."

**States' Rights Would Not Suffer.**

Mr. Thom said that many instances in which shippers in one state were indirectly affected by selfish regulations imposed on the railroads in neighboring states. He pointed out that federal regulation would be no invasion of the rights of the states but would be the means of assuring the right which was acquired when the entered the Union, one of which was the right to the free movement of their products across state boundaries.

**What the Railroads Advocate.**

The principles which the railroads believe should be incorporated in an just system of regulation were summarized by Mr. Thom as follows:

1. The entire field of regulation of railroads should be in the hands of the national government, except as it relates to matters essentially local and incidental; they cannot be used to interfere with the efficiency of the service or the just rights of the carriers.

**This Prevents Seascission.**

Engineering tests have recently been made by an eastern inventor with a self-adjusting berth for steamships.

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I was a superstitious man, I might give undue weight to the following incident as a bad omen. Just before Corbett had finished training while he was training he bought a colt for \$10—a wonderfully pugnacious dog, which would tackle anything. There was one thing on earth that Ned loved, and only one, and that was Corbett. And Jim loved the dog for his bravery. Ned always slept at the end of the hall, and Jim always slept in the room he would give a terrible groan. In a word, he was Corbett's protector. Ned was Corbett's constant companion during training for the Sullivan fight and went with him to New Orleans. Then he traveled everywhere with him, viciously everywhere, and his appearance in the cage with him in the training scene in "Gentleman Jack." It was Ned's growls that aroused the camp one night when Corbett was training for the Mitchell fight to the fact that some persons had climbed up next to Corbett's room. It looked as if they were there to hurt Corbett. In fact, when they were discovered and shot at, they shot back. Of course, Ned was the hero of the affair.

When we went to Europe Jim lent Ned to John W. Norton, and he remained with that until Norton died.

Then Corbett went to Carson because all about Ned, partly from the fact, I suppose, that his brother Harry had brought from San Francisco a beautiful full-blooded colt for whom Jim had now concealed a deep affection. Not knowing this, I thought it would be well to let Ned have the chance to help him.

It was Francis Dashwood, Lord de Despenser, who built Dunston Pillar. It served as a signpost by day and as a beacon by night, being at that time surrounded by a lantern, which was brilliantly illuminated.

But, after some fifty-nine years, a terrible row between Corbett and the lantern pulled them apart and kicked Ned out of the door into the deep snow.

Then night Corbett, who slept in a cottage opposite the little house, went to bed, and the next morning outside of Corbett's door, with his nose on the sill, was Ned-frozen stiff!

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**Daylight Saving" Works Well.**

"Daylight saving" works well, according to a report United States General Alfred Halested from Vienna. Commenting on the results of the "daylight saving" experiment, which began April 30 and finished September 30, he says that it proved most beneficial to the health of the Viennese, to the economy of the city, and also did much to save expense for lighting.

The experiment is regarded with interest, as mangers were impressed by the perfection of a system which was to be used to meet the requirements of the instrumentalities of commerce.

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A cargo of 400 tons of coca leaves arrived in London from the former German colony of Cameroons. Before the war the colony was Germany's chief coca-producing colony, and from Cameroons and Togoland she derived something like 4,000 tons a year.

**DIDN'T HAVE TO STEAL MONEY**

Jaspar Had Double Reason for Re-  
membering Old Adage: "Honesty  
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Of all the remarkable lighthouses in existence, and there are many of them, what is described as "the only land lighthouse" is the most extraordinary. It stands two hundred feet high on the lonely levels of Lincoln Heath, five miles from Lincolns, in the parish of Dunston. It is known as "Dunston Pillar," says a writer in London Advertiser.

"Left that money at the office, by thunder!" said Jim, "and I've been a-sitting here all day at end and never pocketed had proved him wretched. "Must get it—late now—company for dinner—can't be helped—getting old," he mumbled as he hastened back to his office. He found the janitor sweeping. Now this funnyman, Jim, by nature a jester, was a serious person, and the clowns' spirit of merriment, the other, an irritating sweep of favors to be asked. It depended upon whether Mr. Lewis had been, or was to be, asked, for the never-to-be-repaid loan of a dollar.

After crossing the Caspian sea from Britain to Krasnovodsk Mr. Graham, senior vice-commander, Leon A. Gadaine, treasurer, Albert H. Bellows, secretary, James W. Bowler, guide, Felix O. Rose, patriotic instructor, P. Eugene Gadsden; camp council, P. Eugene Gadsden, and Dr. George L. Rose.

Members of the Brookfield Music Club have arranged to have the Glee Club of Clark college, Worcester, give a concert in the town hall on Tuesday night, Feb. 20. At the conclusion of the concert there will be a dance, with music by the Glee Club orchestra. The concert given last year by the Clark college Glee Club was one of the most enjoyable entertainments in the hall for many years, and the second coming of the club will be axi-

ously awaited.

The Brookfield Music Club will meet in a new hall, to be opened to the public on Feb. 20.

At the regular session of the Congregational Sunday school, the following Christmas arrangements were made: It was voted, upon the evening of Sunday, Dec. 24, at 6 o'clock, to have a stereopticon service upon "The Birth and Boyhood of the Christ," given by Rev. Mr. Goodwin, and in evening with it a sonata service by the choir under the direction of the leader, Miss Clara M. Clarendon.

It was voted to have the distribution of gifts from the tree follow these services. The nomination committee presented these names for the various committees: Soliciting, Misses Mary Ellen Johnson and Imogene Flower; trees and ferns, Elbert L. Bemis, John Edward R. Burgess, Lincoln street.

Mr. Justin E. Ward, carpenter and builder, who has lived in Brookfield for 40 years, left on Monday to make his home with his son, Dr. E. S. Ward, in North Attleboro.

Mr. Ward of Butte, Montana, visited J. E. Ward on Sunday, Dec. 3. On Monday he started on his return trip, accompanied by his wife (formerly Miss Eliza Ward) and son, Ward Hyde Waite.

Mrs. Ward came Brookfield, July 15, 1915, to attend the funeral of her mother.

The members of Steamer No. 2 have arranged to hold the 30th annual meeting and dance of the Brookfield fire department in town hall on Friday night, Jan. 5. Music for the night will be by Flanagan's orchestra of Marlboro. There will be a special concert program from 8 o'clock until 9, and dancing will follow to 11 o'clock.

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### Third Degree Exemplified.

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Among those present from Woodbine Lodge were F. W. Duncan, F. A. Chadbourn, George Dickinson, H. J. Lawrence, Frank Hayden, George Dickinson, Carl Whittemore, A. B. Tucker, H. L. Amidon, John J. Lane, A. F. Thompson, John J. Thompson, George R. Doane, A. H. Doane, Roy E. Rose, A. L. Newmann, Milo Chaisis, Colly Johnson, Charles S. Lane, A. K. Peot, Roy Varum, E. W. Reed, Henry Butler, Daniel Foster, Stanley Tucker.

Charles H. Morgan.

Mr Charles H. Morgan died at the home of his sister, Saturday night, Dec. 24, aged 64. He has been confined to the house for a long time, but two weeks ago he broke his shoulder by a fall, and had since been confined to his bed. He was born in Chicopee, and leaves three sisters—Miss Kate Morgan and Mrs Maria Green of this town, and Mrs Fanny Smith of Ithaca, N. Y.

The body was sent to Springfield, where services were held in a State street chapel, with burial in Maple street cemetery, Chicopee. Undertaker Charles S. Lane was in charge.

A Very Pretty Play at the Star

We seemed a pity that no special attention was given to such a really delightful play as was given at the Star Theatre on Monday evening. Mary Pickford calls out good audiences for any of her plays but she could not be more appealing in any production than in that of "Eyes," presented by Daniel Frolman, and written by Edith Barnard Delano.

The story that of a baby born in a hotel, her mother dying when the baby was only a few days old, the drunkard father utterly unable to care for her. Somehow with the help of only her guardian angels, the baby grows to a sweet sturdy girl who guards her father in his drunken helplessness, fights his battles by turns, pets and scolds him into some sort of submission, at the cost of all the pleasure she should have had. Her pets are her only joy until the coming of the handsome stranger from the east. Here she saves his life at the cost of her father's, her trip to find him, and her final happiness and comfort make a pleasant evening's entertainment.

The plot, while sad is much more nor mal than most of the productions shown at the theatre. Life is not all tragedy as these usual pictures would have us believe. Many expressions have been heard by the writer, to the effect that many more

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## ARMFUL TIME A Christmas Editorial

By GEORGE MATTHEW ADAMS  
Decorations by MAGNUS G. KETTNER

CHRISTMAS time is Armful time. Homes of Armfuls, Cities of Armfuls—streets for miles just streams of humans, their arms cramped with bundles and packages bobbing against their beating hearts. Packages wrapped in golden cords of Love, And aching backs glad of the chance to carry them—eased and strengthened by Love.

Packages, big and little—to be GIVEN AWAY!

Christmas time is Universal Spirit time. When forthwith all the mean and petty and unkind thought-affairs of the World ashamed and head-bowed silently backstep while the Armful idea has its way. And

On heart of Mine, isn't it fine, isn't it grand.

Packages, Love, Food, Money, Clothing, Smiles, Success—to be GIVEN AWAY!

For, after all, what are Feelings and Things and Lives, if they are not to be Expressed, Distributed, Divided, and with free and happy and lavish hand—GIVEN AWAY?

Everything in Life was made—to be GIVEN AWAY!

This Christmas time, my Brain, as we reason together, and my Heart, as we feel our impulses out into the wide world of life, can we ever hope to get and possess if we don't constantly GIVE AWAY? Don't you know that it is impossible to GET without GIVING—that, also if you don't Give, what you have will surely leave you? And Don't you know that after you have GIVEN AWAY all that you had and have gone back home to your Heart, you will find that you have more there than you had from which you have now GIVEN ALL away?

Let us think of Christmas in ARMFULS to be GIVEN AWAY—each and all as he is able.

Food, Clothing, Money, Smiles, Pats on the Back—to be GIVEN AWAY.



## The Lone Star Ranger

A Romance of the Old Fighting Stock on the Texas Border  
By ZANE GREY

### SYNOPSIS.

Buck Duane, hunting blood lust from his father, kills a liquor-maddened "dead man" who is bent on killing Duane. To escape, he runs across the country infested by outlaws. He has just one man to invite him for a meal and that's worse. He accepts. They have trouble at once. Stevens dies from his wounds and Buck is captured by camp of Bland's gang and wounded a outlaw who tries to kill him.

"What's that?" asked Duane.  
"Plenty of good juicy beef to eat. An' it won't cost a short bit."

"But it costs hard rides and trouble, bad conscience, and life, too, doesn't it?"

"I ain't shore about the bad conscience. Mine never bothered me none. An' for the worse, why, that's cheap in talk or act like he is now. Bland ain't likely his right name. He knows a lot. He can doctor you, an' he's shore a knowin' fellow with tools. He's the kind that would be good to have around in case he got to run off and fight the end of the other. And as he walked he fell into the lately acquired habit of doodling over his misfortune.

Suddenly he straightened up with a jerk. Unconsciously had drawn his gun. Standing there with the bright, cold weapon in his hand, he could see a few words on cartridges boxes and an advertisement on the back of a tobacco pouch. There seemed to be nothing for him to do. He had rested; he did not want to lie down any more. He had to walk to and fro at the end of the room, the other. And as he walked he fell into the lately acquired habit of doodling over his misfortune.

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## BRYAN AGAINST OWNERSHIP BY THE GOVERNMENT

In this column there will appear each week an article on some topic the author would know about it. These articles are written under the heading "Bryan Against Ownership by the Government." Its contents will be gladly answered by mail or in this column. Address Bryan, North Brookfield Savings Bank, North Brookfield, Mass.

JOSEPH E. PERRY,  
State Income Tax Attorney.

## MORE ABOUT INCOME TAX

(Fourth Article)

### THREE PER CENT TAX.

The excess of the gains over the losses received by the taxpayer from purchases and sales of intangible personal property (and this time the provision applies to "non-taxables" as well as to "taxables") shall be taxed at the rate of three per cent. With a person buys and sells securities making gains on some and suffering losses on others he may deduct his losses from his gains and pay the tax on the excess of gains over losses. Regular brokerage commissions, if any, for both purchase and sale, may be deducted in computing the gain. If the securities were purchased prior to January 1, 1916, their value on that date is to be considered as the purchase price for the purposes of this section. This tax applies to everyone who has sold a share of stock or a bond, or any "right" during 1916—whether he is an investor, trustee, broker or speculator.

### TAX ON INCOME FROM PROFESSION, CALLING AND TRADE AND BUSINESS.

If a person receives gross income of less than \$2000 from his profession, employment, trade or business, and if he has received no other income taxable as heretofore outlined in these articles, he need make no return whatever.

**Note Bene.**

On the other hand, if a person's gross income from profession, employment, trade or business exceeds \$2000 in 1916, he must make a return even though by reason of exemptions or deductions he may not have to pay any tax.

If husband and wife are engaged in separate employment each must make a return if his or her gross income is less than \$2000.

An individual is engaged in more than one business, he must make his return on their combined income, and may combine his deductions as hereinafter explained.

**Exemptions.**

If a taxpayer is living with either husband or wife an additional exemption of \$500 is allowed. Children under the age of 16 years of age, or children wholly dependent on the taxpayer, an additional \$224 may be exempted, but the total exemption cannot exceed \$2000 for any taxpayer. These deductions shall not be made by both husband and wife but may be made by either, as they shall mutually agree. The deduction between them in proportion to the net income in each of excess of \$2000.

**United States Government Employees and Officers.**

The wages and salaries of United States Government employees and officers are not taxed under the new law no matter how large such salaries may be. But if an employee who is in the same service engaged in any other profession, employment, trade or business and receives any income therefrom, all of such other income will be taxed except such part, if any, as would have to be added to the United States government payments to bring the latter up to the sum of \$2000, 2500 or 3000, depending on the number of dependents for which the taxpayer may claim deduction.

**Ministers versus Farmers. How Income is Computed.**

In determining income from profession, employment, trade and business, the rental value of living quarters furnished to the minister shall be included. Thus a minister who has a parsonage furnished him as part of his compensation would be obliged to count in the fair rental value of the parsonage as part of his income but the farmer who owns his farm buildings in which he lives does not have anyone else and, as he pays his real estate tax on the buildings he need not include the rental value as part of his business income.

**Railway Earnings Low.**

This subject of railroad capitalization and the amount of railroad earnings received further adduced its recent sessions. In answer to questions by Senator Cummins, Mr. Thor submitted figures showing the net earnings of the roads in recent years. These figures show that during the five years from 1905 to 1910 the average net earnings were 5.25 per cent of the net investment in plant and equipment. For 1910 to 1915 the average was only 4.56 per cent. The total earnings on the stock computed by adding to the net operating income the income from the securities owned and deducting loan interest, were for 1910, 7.08 per cent; for 1911, 6.17 per cent; for 1912, 5.47 per cent; for 1913, 5.34 per cent; for 1914, 5.09 per cent; for 1915, 3.44 per cent, thus showing an almost continuous decrease throughout this six year period. It was announced that Halford Erickson, formerly chairman of the Wisconsin Railroad Commission, would submit more complete information on this subject to the Committee at a later date.

**"Gross"—What?**

The taxable "gross" income must include gains from the sale of capital assets employed in the business, but not include gains from other intangible property. The hardware man would include all the money he received in connection with the sale of capital assets, i.e., in his case his hardware and other stocks in trade sold in the course of the year.

As to the method of computing gross and net income see next week's article.

JOHN BATCHELLE STODDARD.  
Biographical Sketch of a Former  
North Brookfield Man.

John Batcheller Stoddard was born in North Brookfield, Mass., Sept. 15, 1858, the son of John and Anna (Batcheller) Stoddard of this town. When 18 years old he entered the employ of Emerson H. Stoddard of East Brookfield, remaining with him for ten years. He then went to his father, who was living in Centerville, Indiana, but not liking the country, he went on to Omaha, Neb., where he was engaged in the hotel business. John Batcheller Stoddard, who was engaged in buying sheep in the state of Washington, and driving them across to the Omaha and Chicago market. Later he became a partner in a raising and breeding business, and after another man engaged in the business of raising cattle. After a time Mr Stoddard bought out his partner and settled in Springfield, Ill., N. D., where he took up an agricultural life and purchased more, continuing in the cattle business, also raising sheep and horses. At one time he had upward of 1000 head of cattle. His interest in the business gave him attention more to cattle and horses, having several hundred head of cattle and horses. He was unfortunate to break his leg, and was obliged to keep it in a cast for a long time. Recently he was taken with typhoid fever, and died Oct. 26, 1915, in Mount Pleasant. He leaves a wife and three children.

The Sentinel. He was a man of large affairs, prominent throughout the state, and one of the most prominent men in the state. He was chairman of the board of county commissioners for many years, and saw the country grow from a small town into one of the liveliest and most prosperous in the state. He was never too busy to friendly greet or a class with a friend, and his home was a great joy. He was a kind and gentle man, a devoted husband, and a true gentleman.

"Never in the history of Kenton" Butte has there been so large a funeral as this. A special train, consisting of 12 cars, the Masons and Elks, and many cars, 20 or 30 or 40 miles to pay their last tribute to his memory.

The Congregational church, where he had not been a member, did not hold more than half the crowd, while the rest stood outside with bowed heads, awaiting the final closing of the services. The services were conducted by the pastor, who was a lot better than you are, none of us would ever marry you.

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AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DEC. 12, 1917

ASSETS	LIABILITIES
Mortgages on Real Estate	\$538,900.00
Real Estate	4,467.61
Bank Building	3,500.00
Bonds and Public Funds	306,156.25
Cash on hand and in Banks	38,809.57
	\$891,833.43
	\$797,969.44
	93,863.99

Washington, Dec. 11.—William J. Bryan, who started the country ten years ago by advocating government ownership of railroads, appeared before the Newlands Joint Committee on Interstate Commerce last week in support of the claim that the states should be allowed to retain authority over the regulation of all transportation lines within their borders. Mr. Bryan explained that he had long regarded government ownership as inevitable, but only because of railroad opposition to effective regulation.

Against Government Ownership.

"Personally I can say that I do not believe in government ownership," he explained, "because I lean to the individual idea rather than to the collective idea; that is, I believe that government ownership is desirable only where competition is impossible."

Alfred P. Thompson, counsel to the Railways' Advisory Committee, previously supported the Newlands Committee as one of his reasons for urging a better balanced and more systematic regulation of railroads the argument that this is the only alternative to government ownership. Calling attention to the restrictions imposed upon the transportation lines by existing law, he said, "It is practical now to consider new construction and to the impossibility under existing conditions of securing the new capital needed for extensions and betterments of railway facilities, he warned the Congressmen that unless they provided a fair and reasonable system of regulation, that would not hold much more than half the crowd, while the rest stood outside with bowed heads, awaiting the final closing of the services. The services were conducted by the pastor, who was a lot better than you are, none of us would ever marry you.

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Compensation.

A rolling stone gathers no moss, but it gets so smooth that nobody has anything on it—Puck.

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Please Feed The Birds.

The deep snow covers their usual food— insects' eggs and larvae and the seeds of weeds—and they will starve unless we feed them. Give them "fat seed," chaff from the barn floor, crumpled scraps of meat, bones and suet; anything eatable and they will repay you a thousand fold by their work in the garden and orchard all the Spring. Do it now. Fasten the meat scraps and suet securely to the trees and have eagerly the chickadees and titmice peck go to it. Then the snow does not cover the seeds and the birds can find them, get the food on a branch or box and watch the juncos and tree sparrows fly in. Put out chaff and grain for the quail and meadow larks in the pasture. They work for us all Summer long, eating insects. Keep it up while the snow lasts. It is not only a fine philanthropy but a paying investment, for each one of us. If you want to know more about feeding and protecting birds, write to WINSTON PACKARD, Secretary of the Massachusetts Audubon Society, 66 Newbury Street, Boston, Mass.

Economics.

"Why don't you wear some of your father's clothes?" Inquired Mr. George father. "Why not?" exclaimed his daughter; "I didn't have my last winter's furs made over and wear them all summer?"

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Black Lynx \$32.50 to 45.00

**Gifts For Girls**  
Silkined Dresses and Hand Embroidered Dresses in dainty materials, white and colors, sizes 1 to 6 years \$1.00 to 5.00

Rompers for Girls and Boys in imported ginghams, dainties and fancy materials, sizes 1 to 6 years \$1.00 to 5.00

Sweaters, sizes 2 to 6 years, in plain jacket and Norfolk belted models \$1.00 to 5.98

Scarfs and Caps, in colors to match sweaters \$1.75 to 1.98

Hand Embroidered Stockings, sizes 3 to 10 years \$1.00 to 5.80

Middy Blouses, all sizes 50¢ to 1.00

Gym Bloomers, specials 65¢ to 2.00

Peter Thompson Dresses \$12.50 to 17.50

Girls' School Dresses 98¢ to \$5.00

Girls' Sunday Dresses \$3.98 to 12.50

Misses' Party Dresses \$7.50 to 25.00

Girls' Cloth Coats \$2.98 to 15.00

Girls' Rubber Rain Coats \$2.98 to 5.00

**Waists and Blouses**  
In Xmas Boxes For Gift Giving  
200 Crepe de Chine Waists \$2.98  
100 New Lace Waists \$2.98  
White Waists 98¢ to \$7.50  
New Satin Waists \$2.98 to 12.50  
Fancy French Blouses \$15.00 to 35.00  
New Stripe Waists \$2.98 to 9.75

**Gifts of Virtue**

Evening Wraps, of richest design, exclusive models \$50.00 to 150.00

Silk Petticoats, in suit colors and evening shades

Bath Robes, of eiderdown, blankets and corduroy

Skating Skirts, in smart designs and materials \$1.00 to 9.75

Skating Skirts, in smart designs and materials \$5.00 to 15.00

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Five Floors **RICHARD HEALY COMPANY** 512 Main St., Worcester

**CASCARA QUININE**  
The old family remedy—in tablet form—proves a valuable aid in colds, grippe, rheumatism, etc. It is a safe, reliable medicine. It is a safe, reliable medicine. It is a safe, reliable medicine.

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**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1916**

**The North Brookfield Post Office.**

MAILS DUE TO ARRIVE  
A. M. 6:31—East and West.  
P. M. 12:45—East and West.  
6:30—East Brookfield.  
7:02—East Brookfield, Mass. (only).  
MAILS CLOSED.

A. M. 6:00—West.  
7:00—East and West.  
P. M. 2:30—West.  
6:00—East and West.  
MAILS DISPATCHED AT 2:00 A. M. AND 2:25 P. M. MAIL FROM EAST BROOKFIELD IS RECEIVED AT 4:25 P. M. MAIL FROM WEST BROOKFIELD IS RECEIVED AT 4:45 P. M. MAIL IS DISPATCHED TWICE DAILY AS FOLLOWS:—4:30 A. M. EAST AND NORTH. 6 P. M. WEST. MAIL FOR THE NORTHERN DELIVERY ARE CLOSED AT 4:30 A. M. MAIL FOR THE SOUTHERN DELIVERY ARE CLOSED AT 4:45 P. M. MAIL FOR THE WESTERN DELIVERY ARE CLOSED AT 4:45 P. M.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Leave North Brookfield at 6:15, 6:45, 7:00, 10:45 a. m., 12:00, 2:45, 4:21, 5:12, 6:30 p. m.  
Arrive in East Brookfield at 6:25, 6:55, 7:10, 10:55 a. m., 12:30, 3:14, 4:54, 6:35 p. m.  
Leave East Brookfield, 6:29, 7:03, 9:15, 11:05 a. m., 12:36, 3:14, 5:05, 6:52 p. m.  
Arrive in North Brookfield at 6:44, 7:14, 9:27, 11:22 a. m., 12:48, 3:32, 5:17, 7:04 p. m.  
MAILS DISPATCHED AT 4:30 P. M.

Leave North Brookfield at 6:00, 7:00, 8:45 a. m., then at 15 minutes past the hour until 11:15 a. m.; at 15 minutes past the hour until 1:15 p. m.; at 15 minutes past the hour until 3:15 p. m.; at 15 minutes past the hour, last train at 11:45 a. m. Connects at Spencer for Worcester, and at West Brookfield for Ware and Springfield.

TIME AND FREIGHT TABLE.

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CHristian Memorial Church.

There will be a service of Carol singing Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, at Christ Memorial church, with organ and violin accompaniment, followed by the school tree in the Guild room.

At the service there will be a short programme of Christmas music, and a Christmas story read by Mrs. C. Griffith, with the customary distribution of gifts, candy, etc.

The bears were Timothy Murphy, David Finn, Charles P. McCarthy and William A. Finn.

Coming on Sunday.

The selection room at the town hall was filled with citizens, leaving early evening when Mr. Mann of the Park Trust Co. explained the plans for the new national bank.

William F. Fallon was also on hand.

Mr. George Poland is the guest of his parents.

On our last page appears the first portion of the paper on Colonial Gardens.

The Christmas rush is on and both express and parcel post are doing good business.

The "blue label" canned goods in full variety, can be had at Howard's, at reasonable prices.

Next meeting of Appleton Club will be with Mr. and Mrs. George R. Hamant on Gillett street, Jan. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Savary and their two children will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Brown.

Grace Whiting is at home in Boston for the holidays, also Sanford Whiting from his work in Bondville, Mass.

Charles Bush, full of praise for the Mitchell Military School in Billerica, is at home for a three-weeks' vacation.

Mrs. Alfred A. Day has gone to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Herbert E. Stevenson, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

A full line of Ingereill and Leonard watches, also Big Bell alarm clocks, and a full line of flash lights, at Desplaine's.

The Loyale Circle of King's Daughters have this year sent out ninety-seven Christmas boxes to invalids and shut-ins.

Windsor R. Smith has been elected master of North Brookfield Grange, in place of Mrs. McCarthy, who declined the honor.

A very serious freight wreck at Jamestown, early Saturday morning, put the time table on the Boston & Albany all out of commission for the day. All four tracks were blocked at 2 a. m., and it was 2 a. m. before even one train could clear to allow of the passage of a train east or west. Parties were held at 10:45 a. m. and 12:05 p. m., arrived in Worcester at 4:10 p. m., and Boston at 6:00 p. m. Coming west passengers who took the 6:05 train at Worcester, reached North Brookfield at 8:30 p. m.

Howard's has a full stock of the very best groceries and table supplies for Christmas. Full announcement in another column.

Loy—A gentleman's pocket book containing personal papers. Also a pair of gold bowed bi-fold spectacles. Reward for return of either to JOURNAL office.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Union will be held at the First Church parlor on Thursday, Dec. 28, at 2:30 to 5:30 p. m. with business meeting at 4 o'clock.

The Christian Endeavor service will be held on Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Last Sunday all the services were held in the Chapel.

GOOD SHOOTS FOR SALE

READY TO SHOOT

JOHN H. NEWHALL

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All Work Guaranteed

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## MORE WHEAT, MORE CATTLE, MORE HOGS

Land Values Sure to Advance  
Because of Increasing Demand for Farm Products.

## WILSON POINTS WAY TO PEACE IN NOTE TO ALL BELLIGERENTS

### HONOR MEMORY OF CURTIS GUILD

Memorial Steps to Boston, Tab-  
let to Commonwealth

### MANY NOTABLES PRESENT

Ceremony Marked by Tributes From  
Major Curley of Boston and  
Gov. McCall in Speeches  
of Acceptance.

### SAYS BOSTON & MAINE COULD PAY DEBTS

Hobbs Figures Defeat at \$12,025,360  
at Hearing in Federal Court.



*(Caption)*

There was a little lawyer man, who gladly noted to his law book that he had won a case. "I am a good lawyer," he said, "and I have won many cases. I am a good lawyer, and I have won many cases."

He sat down to eat his dinner, and when he had finished, he said, "I am a good lawyer, and I have won many cases."

He got up to go to bed, and when he had done so, he said, "I am a good lawyer, and I have won many cases."

He lay down to sleep, and when he had done so, he said, "I am a good lawyer, and I have won many cases."

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## LAND VALUES SURE TO ADVANCE BECAUSE OF INCREASING DEMAND FOR FARM PRODUCTS.

The cry from countries abroad for more of the necessities of life is acute today; tomorrow it will be still more insistent, and there will be no letup after the war. This is the day for the farmer, the day that he is coming into his own, the day that he is becoming the dictator as it becomes more apparent that upon his industry depends the great problem of feeding a great world. The farmer of Canada and the United States has it within himself to hold the position of leadership in this regard. The Government, to whom you are accredited, The texts of the notes themselves then run identically thus:

"The President directs me to send the following communication to the Central Powers and the Entente Powers, to whom you are accredited:

"Before that final step can be taken, however, each demands that necessary steps be taken to settle the issues of the present war upon terms which will certainly save the independence, the territorial integrity and the political and commercial freedom of the nations involved."

"The measures to be taken to secure the future peace of the world the people and Government of the United States are as vital and as directly interested as the Government of Canada. The Central Powers, moreover, in the means to be adopted to relieve the smaller and weaker peoples of the world of the peril of wrong and violence is as quick and as artful as that of any other people or Government.

"They stand ready, and even eager, to co-operate in the accomplishment of a neutral nation whose cause for long time past arises out of a most urgent necessity to determine how best to safeguard those interests if the war is to continue."

"The terms upon which it is to be concluded they are not at liberty to suggest, but the President does feel that it is his duty to offer it at this particular time, because it may be necessary to be prompt by a desire to make the tablet more acceptable to the Central Powers.

"The President, therefore, feels altogether justified in suggesting an immediate opportunity for a comparison of views as to the terms which must precede those ultimate arrangements for the peace of the world, which all must be made in their own right."

"In behalf of the people of Boston, we say, 'He is a very great man, and we trust him.' The original proposal demands that the Central Powers should have delayed offering the tablet until after overtures had been made by the Central Powers.

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"Those who are competent to judge claim that land prices will rise in value from twenty to fifty per cent. This is foisted in for Western Canada, where lands are now available at reasonable prices, but those who are fortunate enough to secure now will realize wonderfully by means of such an investment. The land that the Dominion Government is giving away as free homesteads in the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, will be sought after in every country in the world.

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# THE LONE STAR RANGER

*This is a story about the Texas Plains People*

By ZANE GREY

## SYNOPSIS.

The time of the story: about 1855. The place: The Texas cow country. The chief character: Buck Duane, a young man who has inherited a lust to kill, which he suppresses. In self-defense he always deals a blow that kills. His desire to flee to the wild country where he joins Bland's gang leads him to commit his first crime. He saves a woman, Jeanie, a young girl who had been abducted and sold to the Indians. They return her to civilization. Buck and Jeanie fall in love. But there is trouble. Buck is accused of killing a man, and he must flee. He joins Bland's gang, and is reporting the outposts to Buck.

Buck Duane appears now in the role of rescuing angel. It is a queer role for a murderer. For his generous service to one helpless he is rewarded with a fine devotion. One of the most stirring incidents is the thrilling scene described in this installment. The manner of telling is one that will hold you spell-bound.

## CHAPTER IX—Continued.

"I didn't see anybody but the greasers. I'm sure I look sharp. Comin' back I cut across through the cottonwoods past Bland's cabin plumb into Beppo, an' when I inquired of his host he said Bland had been up all night fightin' with the Senors. We're pretty much."

"It seems so. Well, I'm going," said Duane tersely.

"Lucky! I should smile! Bland's been up all night after a most dragon's ride home. He'll be fagged out this mornin', sleepy, sore, an' a way to go. I expect he'll be half-asleep. You'll have to hit him hard to get him to wake up. How long have we been here?"

"Duane, you've killed him!" cried Kate Bland, huskily. "I knew you would."

She clung against the wall, her eyes dilating, her strong hands clutching, her face slowly whitening. She appeared shocked, half stunned, but showed no grief.

"Bland's men didn't come along here?"

"No."

"Have you slept any?"

"A little. Lately I couldn't keep awake."

"I should think not. You've had a time of it sitting here day and night nursing me, watching for the outlaws. Come, tell me all about it."

"There's nothing much to tell," she replied, smiling. "I'm a steamer and I'm not afraid of anything."

"Come on, hurry!"

She came out with uneven steps, seeking a saddle and a remounted out-of-bounds body. Duane caught her arm, drawing her behind him. He feared the woman when she realized how she had been duped. His action was protective, and his movement toward the door equally as significant.

"Dunes, you ain't much heavier than a rabbit. That big black will carry you both."

"Buck, I am word—look out for that Bland's men!"

He nodded and then, saying that the horses were ready, he strode away through the grove.

No outlaws were in sight. He saw several Mexican herdsmen with cattle. Blue columns of smoke curled up over some of the cattle. The men, at home and eating good food for the stove. He noted a cloud of creamy mist rising above the river, dissolving in the sunlight.

The he entered Bland's lane.

While yet some distance from the cabin he heard loud voices of men and women. Bland and Kate were quarreling! He took a quick survey of the surroundings. There was not even a Mexican in sight. Then he

spurred his horse to a gallop.

"Kate, Let Go!"

He tried to intimidate her. She did not see his grim thrust in her face, or reason had given way to an extent to passion that she did not notice. She cried. Her husband had used the curse name, and from her lips they seemed strange, unsexed, more deadly. Like a tigeress she fought him; her face no longer resembled a woman's.

He heard a cry from outside—a man's cry, hoarse and screaming.

It made him think of loss of time. This demon of a woman might yet block his plan.

"Let go!" he whispered, and felt his lips stiff. In the grimness of that instant he relaxed his hold on the reins.

With sudden, redoubled, irresistible strength she wrenches the ride down and discharged it. Duane felt a blow—a shock—a burning agony tearing through his breast. Then in a frenzy he jerked so powerfully upon the rifle, that he threw the woman off the saddle and into the valley below. She was an asp at once.

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## SHRINE DEAR TO HUNGARY

Chapel Near Orsova Built Over Spot Where Was Buried the Regalia of the Kingdom.

Orsova, the Hungarian frontier city on the Danube recently occupied by Romanian forces, is only a few miles above the Iron Gates, the last defile of the Danube, and about an equal distance below the scenically magnificent Kazan defile.

On the outskirts of Orsova, about two miles from the steamboat pier, there is an attractive little park, in the midst of which is one of the holiest shrines of the Hungarian people. It is the Kronen Kapelle (Crown Chapel) erected by Emperor Francis Joseph over the spot where Louis Kosuth and his fellow patriots buried the Hungarian crown of St. Stephen and other regalia of the kingdom in 1849.

The story of the hiding of the crown is one of the most pathetic chapters in the life of the man who is generally admitted to have been Hungary's greatest orator and most incorruptible patriot. The revolution against Austria (1848-49) having failed, Kosuth and his devoted followers were seeking safety in flight, taking with them the national insignia. As they neared the Turkish frontier their patriotism would not permit them to bear the emblems of national existence beyond the borders of their country, so, in secret, the regalia were buried, each participant in the act vowing not to reveal the hiding place except with the consent of his associates.

Some years later, however, after Kosuth had gone to England and thence to the United States, and the cause of Hungarian independence seemed hopelessly lost, the place of hiding of the regalia was revealed to Emperor Francis Joseph, who had the precious articles unearthed and the spot consecrated by the chapel, in which is a statue of the Virgin and Child, one of the masterpieces of the Austrian sculptor Meissner. The chapel is approached by a splendid avenue of tall poplars.

### Early Masticators.

They say the American states use up annually an enormous amount of chewing gum. The figures I do not recall, but they form an offset by no means negligible to the annual product of that quiet (save when she rejoices over a new lay) wealth-maker, the barnyard hen. Gum used to be nearly all spruce or wax, remarks a correspondent of the Boston Herald.

In 1864, in Toronto schools, we chewed wax, India rubber, tar, congealed turpentine, slippery elm, licorice root, sassafras root or wheat till it was reduced to an oleaginous state, and sometimes the molasseslike glutinous stuff from printers' rollers! Chunks of wax the boys stole from the altar candles in St. Mary's church; the tar from caldrons on the streets; the rubber from car springs, and it was a fearfully laborious two days' job for the jaws to reduce the pure rubber to a joyous, chewable consistency; the pine spruce pried out from the interstices of cedar and pine trees. As almost every schoolboy knows, and horrible to admit in these germ terrorizing days, we often swapped gum! And few succumbed! One cent would buy a supply of pretty nice tissue-wrapped wax or spruce gum then—now nothing less than five. But we hadn't the cent very often.

### Uncle Sam's Chemists.

Despite the monumental work of such government experts as Doctor Rittmann, the discoverer of a new gasoline process; Dr. Harvey Wiley of pure-food fame, and the whole corps engaged in fertilizer experiments, public opinion will not give credit for any good thing to Uncle Sam's chemists, the Wall Street Journal declares. After making a low-cost record for producing smokeless powder at Pickavenny arsenal and producing "dannite"—our famous secret "high explosive 'D'"—the workers in explosives have succeeded in producing a dashless powder. The great heat developed in smokeless detonations causes flying particles to become incandescent, producing a flash, but this new explosive produces only a pear-shaped iridescent glow at the muzzle, invisible at two miles. At night, a mask as high as a mounted man (technically known as "mounted defile") will conceal the glow; the "defile" required at night for our present explosive is not exactly known, but artillery officers have been known to declare, pessimistically, that a mile would be none too high.

### National Salute.

Government vessels passing Washington's tomb do not always salute, but when a special occasion calls for it the salute to Washington is the same that is fired for the sleeping Grant—twenty-one guns. This is a national salute; there is none higher. It is the salute paid to the president of the United States or to a visiting ruler. In passing in review before the president of the United States each ship of a squadron fires twenty-one guns. In honoring the dead Washington one ship fires the salute for the whole fleet.

### Not His Fault.

"So you have been back to visit the home of your boyhood?"

"Yes," replied the capitalist.

"I presume you went to look at the old swimming hole?"

"No. I didn't. A party of prominent citizens were so anxious for me to select a site for the new natatorium they expect me to build and present to the town that I didn't have time."

## OWN PART OF GREENLAND

Comparatively Few Know That the United States Territory Extends That Far to the North.

Very few had any idea that the United States owns a chunk of Greenland as big as one of our average-sized states until they read the provision in the proposed treaty between our country and Denmark whereby we are to pay \$20,000,000 for the Danish West Indies and, in addition, relinquish to Denmark all our claims to territory in Greenland.

If you will look at a recent map of Greenland you will see the name "Pearyland" across the upper part of it. This is the land discovered and explored by Admiral Peary. He and other American explorers were the first to visit and map the coast line of the greater part of northern Greenland and Peary discovered that it was an island.

It has always been the recognized right of a nation to claim sovereignty over land discovered by its subjects. Spain got title to a big slice of America through Columbus. Under this title-by-discovery claim the United States could claim all of northern Greenland except the Danish settlement of 34,000 square miles and 12,000 population on the southern coast opposite Iceland. But this is only one-twenty-fifth of the area of Greenland. Now Denmark wants it all.

The average American will be likely to say, "For goodness sake, let Denmark have it and good riddance; what do we want of that iceberg?"

The chances are that we don't want it, and that it would never be any good to us. Still, there is another possibility. When the United States bought Alaska it was thought by the majority of people to be barren and worthless, but last year it shipped us in goods eight times the value of the purchase price, and now coal is coming to the Alaskan coast by rail to help lower the price in California. Spitzbergen, far up beyond the Arctic circle, has recently become of immense value because of the discovery there of minerals. Dispatches have told of the return of members of the Stefansson Canadian Arctic expedition with news of the discovery of great fields of native copper in Prince Albert land, as far north as Greenland.

Canada is exploring the lands of the Arctic with the intention of extending her authority all the way to the pole, on the chance of finding coal, iron, copper and possibly gold.

But the development of those regions, if they are ever to be developed, seems to be the province of the nations of the snows, like Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Canada.

**Good Word for Gum Chewing.**  
An important book has just been published by Doctor Carlson, a professor of physiology in the University of Chicago, which is entitled "The Control of Hunger." This ought to be a much-read book in these times of the rising cost of living. He has made many experiments on humans, dogs, guinea pigs, rabbits, etc., and has come to the conclusion:

"That hunger pangs diminish with use of chewing gum, chewing tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes. The direct result of gnawing at a piece of gum is the stimulation of nerves in the mouth. The sensation causes a decrease in stomach contractions, thus assuaging the sharpest appetite."

Are we then to conclude, when we see the unctuous damsel, on the trolley, chewing gum with energy and violence, that she is seeking to abridge her appetite because of the lack of food at home? Well, whatever the motive, why is not the doctrine a practical one? We hope this book is not written in the interest of the gum manufacturers. A professor wouldn't do that, —Ohio State Journal.

### Rodin's Meditations.

Auguste Rodin, the French sculptor, is noted as one who has wrought greatly, created greatly, reflected gloriously. He delights in reading, but he reads only old books. Above all he delights in books of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries in their original editions. To his thinking most modern books are not well enough written, not well enough printed and are not well enough bound. Only his intimate friends—and his coachman know, it is said, how at times he is absorbed in himself and is oblivious of all surroundings. At such times, it is useless to speak to him. He answers no one. He must be left alone in his meditations. When he returns from Paris to the villa of Meudon the coachman opens the door of his carriage. Rodin is awake, but thinking, and his reverie must not be disturbed. So the coachman closes the door, detaches the horses, and leaves the carriage with the man of genius in the middle of the coach yard, and there he will continue to dream, sometimes for hours.

### Shipbuilding Revival.

Shipbuilding on the Pacific coast is reviving. There are now being built in the Pacific northwest 37 ships with a tonnage capacity of 292,000.

Eleven of these are wooden vessels with semi-Diesel auxiliary power propellers, and the others are steel. The value of the vessels building or contracted for is \$32,000,000, and a dozen shipbuilding companies are interested in the work. A steel steamer was recently launched at Seattle with a dead weight tonnage of 8,800 and another is soon to be launched at that place with almost the same tonnage. The Manufacturers' Association of Seattle recently gave a banquet in honor of the shipping and shipbuilding interests.

## WHY SEEK WEALTH?

### RICH MAN MISERABLE COMPARED WITH POOR BOY.

Writer Enumerates Many Joys Which the Latter Has at Command, and Which Are Forbidden to the Millionaire.

Many of the leading railroad presidents, corporation presidents, financiers, politicians and millionaires of today began life as poor boys. This sentence sounds as though it had been written before, and it probably has been, a good many times. From now on not so many of these worthies will begin as poor boys. That wastes too much time. The thing to do now is to begin as a rich boy and then work up, says the San Francisco Bulletin.

But are the railroad presidents, corporation presidents, financiers, politicians and millionaires who began as poor boys any the happier because they ceased to be poor boys? Do they ever wonder as to the wisdom of the first choice at the first crossroads leading toward wealth and fame? They know that their lives have not been model ones, even from the point of view of happiness. A poor boy has many pleasures. He can steal apples. He can go in swimming. He can play ball. He can go to school. He can have a best girl. He can play Indian, build wigwams in the woods, roast potatoes in campfires, smoke cornsilk cigarettes.

A railroad president or a millionaire cannot have half so much fun. He has his dignity, his business, his money, his wife's social position, his servants and his health to worry about. By the time he is successful he is growing old and beginning to have doubts as to the meaning and value of life; his first fresh joy has departed; sunrises and sunsets move him no more, music cannot draw his attention from the purposes which have made him a monomaniac, and he does not care to go barefoot or sneak out with jack-o'-lantern in the dark of a full moon.

Everybody likes to think of John D. Rockefeller saving his first hundred dollars, but who likes to think of him saving his last ten million dollars? It is the beginning, not the climax, that is romantic and charming for the observer and, perhaps, for the man himself. Power and wealth are not much compared with the fine thrill in young blood on a frosty October morning, or even the sober elation of an old farmer looking westward over the tops of the wheat on his quarter section at sundown.

**Hope Yet for Wrist Watch.**  
"The wrist watch is to hold its vogue," announces the report of a recent convention of the American National Retail Jewelers' association. So the matter is settled for another year beyond peradventure and those who do not see how they could live without the convenient timepiece on their left arms may take heart of grace—their wrist-watches are not yet to be taken from them and banished among other has-beens of fashion. It is hard to believe, anyhow, that a lot of jewelers could get together and decide arbitrarily whether so useful a belonging as the wrist-watch is to stay or go; but one knows what upheavals in fashion have occurred banded together a few courtesies banded together may accomplish in the twinkling of an eye; so perhaps those of us who live, move and keep our several appointments by wrist-watches should be humbly thankful that they are to be permitted to use yet another twelve-month. Incidentally, the convention also decided that bar screws for the ears will come into favor rapidly and that diamond solitaires will be the fashionable ear-rings.

**Pension for Authors.**  
By a curious coincidence of fate, William H. Mallock, who wrote "Is Life Worth Living?" is among the authors to be placed on the British civil pension list, according to the most recent announcement.

Another recipient of government bounty is Lady Murray, widow of Sir James Murray, who edited the Oxford Dictionary. Dr. Thomas Ross, the "tramp" poet; J. Comyns Carr, the dramatist who translated "Madame Sans Gene," and Mrs. Amy Bulfin, widow of the author of "The Cruise of the Cachalot," and other sea stories, are also on the list.

To be eligible to the pension the recipient must have been eminent in literature; except in the case of a dependent, and notwithstanding that payment is a form of charity there is never a dearth of applicants.

The uncertainty of the rewards of literature is nowhere better illustrated than in the case of Doctor Murray, one of the most eminent philologists of his time, who gave many years to the perfection of his great work but died poor.

**Hot-Tempered Sea Dog.**

A certain British destroyer was ordered to go alongside a battleship to fill up with oil fuel. It happened to be a Sunday, and the only person the commander of the boat saw on deck was the officer of the watch, a sub-Lieutenant. He shouted out:

"Where are the hands to make my boat fast?"

"All below at church, sir," was the reply.

"What!" shouted the indignant commander. "Am I along a battleship or a cathedral? Kindly request the archdeacon to come on deck and lend a hand with the wires!"

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## STATEMENT

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### ASSETS

Mortgages on Real Estate	\$538,900.00	Deposits	\$797,969.44
Real Estate	4,467.61	Surplus	93,863.99
Bank Building	3,500.00		
Bonds and Public Funds	306,156.25		
Cash on hand and in Banks	38,809.57		
			\$891,833.43

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### RIGHT TO SOIL OF BRITAIN

Even Beggars of the Green Isle Have Money Stowed Away, Says American Vice Consul.

Ireland is in a more prosperous condition than ever in its history, according to James Thompson, American vice consul at Queenstown, who tells the Washington Post.

"The people of the United States appear to have an erroneous impression regarding Ireland," said Mr. Thompson. "It is popularly supposed that the Irish people are very poor. This is far from the fact. There are few poor people in Ireland. True, there are beggars, professional mendicants but most of these have a snug sum stowed away. Since the beginning of the war wages have advanced in all the industrial trades in Ireland and the average workman lives as well if not better than the workman of America. Munitions factories have been established in numerous places throughout Ireland, and the workmen in these factories get an average of \$5 a day. The ordinary laborer is drawing a higher wage than ever, and nearly all of them have nicely furnished houses and their wives and daughters wear silks and satins. They have not yet taken up the automobile habit, but if prosperity continues perhaps they will come to this. There are, however, very few automobiles in Ireland, the government having commanded most of the machines. It's very expensive running a machine, however, for gasoline is selling at 52 cents a gallon.

"Food prices have risen beyond all reason. New potatoes are bringing a higher price than ever before; meat sells for 36 cents a pound; butter at 40 cents, sugar at 12 cents. Coal has gone up to 48 shillings a ton and will reach 60 before long.

"Queenstown is a closed port, and has been since September of 1914," continued Mr. Thompson. "There are very few American visitors in Ireland. Some Irish-Americans who were caught there at the beginning of the war have remained. Gold is so scarce that one seldom sees any. The banks will not give it out, and the government has issued notes in place of the sovereign and half sovereign."

Mr. Thompson, who is a native of Virginia, is on 60-days' leave of absence.

### Conservation for Lakes.

The hundred and more lakes which are scattered over Iowa, chiefly in the northern part, are about to be included in what doubtless will be one of the most comprehensive plans ever adopted by any state to conserve its bodies of water, according to Popular Mechanics Magazine. At the direction of the Iowa legislature, 20 engineers have been engaged for more than a year in making a careful survey of the lakes and marshes of the state. At the same time experts from the state colleges have been studying the wild life in the lake region. This mass of information is about to be embodied in a report which, it is expected, will be used in outlining a program of improvement that will cover five or more years. Certain of the lakes, probably about fifty in all, will be set aside as game preserves. The fish grown at the state hatcheries will be transferred to these lakes and other steps taken for the benefit of sportsmen. About fifty other lakes will be designated as resort centers. In some cases it may be deemed advisable to construct dams to raise the water level of these lakes. A third group will be drained. Included in the latter class will be many which are so shallow that they freeze solid in winter and dry up in summer.

### Economics.

"Why don't you wear some of your last year's clothes?" inquired M. Growcher.

"Why, father!" exclaimed his daughter; "didn't I have my last winter's furs made over and wear them all summer?"

### That Treacherous Omelet.

For some time, so runs Le Matin, many Parisian merchants noted the disagreeable fact that eggs were being subtracted regularly and with mathematical precision from their cases in the merchandise station of Vaugirard. An inquiry finally localized the place where the numerous thefts had taken place, and the surprise of the police was great to note that the perpetrator of the greedy deed carried out his dangerous scheme in the station proper, right under their very noses. Although the strictest surveillance was exercised, all attempts to secure the culprit were vain. A few days ago an employee, one Jerome Gennekerque by name, having finished his daily work started for home. As he was leaving the station, the "bonhomme" had the ill luck to fall. Immediately an ugly yellow stream treacherously proceeded from the pockets of his

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