

# THE RECORD

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## Local and Personal.

This is meant to be a purely LOCAL NEWS column, to which I record invitations to celebrations, events of local importance, marriages, deaths, accidents, cases of extreme illness, society and church happenings, and other news, etc., should be reported to the Editor in writing; otherwise they may not appear.

Let us have your sale date for next Spring. See notice in another column. Prospects are very favorable for a good ice harvest. It's a poor year that don't bring plenty in some direction.

At the hour of going to press, Mr. Samuel Reinhold, in a very weak condition and his end is likely to come at any time.

Miss Annie (Sister Bernard) Orndorff, of Hospital St. Vincent De Paul, Norfolk, Va., spent a portion of the day in town on Thursday.

The Christmas number of the RECORD will be an unusually good one, which will render a year's subscription to it a very appropriate gift.

A note from E. O. Garner, who has assumed his duties at the Maryland Agricultural Experiment Farm, says, "I am getting along better than I expected."

Cards are out announcing the marriage of George E. Clutz, of Bridgeport, to Miss Daisy Warner, of near Emmitsburg, on Thursday afternoon, December 29th.

The Projectoscope entertainment, for the benefit of the Fire Company, was a success, and the building fund has been appreciably added to. We have not learned the amount of the net proceeds.

The walls of the new bank building for the first story, are about finished, and some idea of the architectural beauty of the building can be gathered. The front is made of light brick and gray stone.

Yenilda K. Fair, a field agent for the McCormick Company, in Nebraska, is here on a visit to his old home, and may stay several months, in order to improve his health through a mien, needed rest.

J. Wm. Hull, the successor of H. E. Slagenhau in the jewelry business, is here, permanently, for the transaction of business. We trust that his choice of location may prove both agreeable and profitable.

A large camp of gypsies, with a dozen or more wagons and a lot of horses, passed through here on Thursday. Some of the wagons were quite fine, indicating a more than average grade of the wanderers, financially.

Let us have accounts of weddings and socials as soon as possible after the events occur; otherwise, they may not get in the RECORD at all, or, if they do, only briefly. We cannot, as a rule, use long articles on Friday morning.

Last Sunday was a "hummer," in more ways than one, and easily won the medal for the most disagreeable day of the season. While the wind was very high, during the afternoon, no damage, of any consequence, was sustained by property.

Abram Trimmer, of Frederick, for thirty years engineer at the Deaf and dumb asylum, died on Wednesday. He was a brother of David Trimmer of this district, also of Isaac, of Woodsboro, and Samuel, of Frederick. Funeral services were held in Frederick this, Friday, afternoon.

James Kuhns, living at the extreme edge of this district, on the Littleton road, died suddenly, on Friday last, from apoplexy. He was a brother of Mrs. John Fair, of this district, who is the only surviving member of the family. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at Christ church near Littleton.

Morris Knott, who was arrested and committed for trial on the charge of stealing the use of a horse from F. David Oiler, of this district, was acquitted of the charge, last Saturday, in Court. As he was one of a party which "broke jail," however, he was re-committed, and must stand trial on the new charge.

The editor is indebted to Chas. A. Elliot for a nice piece of venison, a choice cut of which was received by him from his friends on the hunting camp in Pennsylvania, with whom he and Mr. Rapp spent a week last month. Two deer were taken the next week after Messrs Elliot and Rapp came home. In all, the (Cash-town) club captured four of the graceful animals.

George A. Hill, colored, alias Chas. Fisher, who stole, or "borrowed," a black horse from J. W. Withers, of this district, last August, was tried before a jury on Monday. His attorney attempted to prove that he only intended to use the animal to go to his home, and it was in evidence that he was drunk and not in a hurry to get away with the horse, but the jury thought he was guilty of larceny and brought in a verdict accordingly.

It is currently reported, with considerable substantial foundation, that the Eckenrode warehouse location has been bought, and that a joint stock company will be formed, with ample capital, for the purpose of conducting the general grain and produce business. Report has it that George W. Albaugh, of Westminster, will be the owner of the property, as well as a stockholder in the Company, and that prominent men in this town and district will be financially interested.

## COUNTY AND STATE.

**News Notes of General Interest from Various Sources.**

The grand jury, which adjourned on Tuesday, denounced the county jail as unfit for the purposes intended, and recommends the erection of a new one.

Hon. Barnes Compton, a prominent citizen of Laurel, Prince George's county, died on Friday last. He was quite prominent, during his life, both in business and politics.

Guy W. Steele, on Monday, purchased "Avondale," a fine farm adjoining Avondale Station W. M. R. R., from the surviving executors of Patrick O'Reilly, for \$10,000.

The Priestland Alumni will hold another meeting at the school house, the first Saturday in January, 1899. A general attendance is desired, in order that the meeting may be one of interest.

An entertainment will be given in Walden's Hall, Middleburg, Md., on Friday evening, December 10th., by the Terra Ruba Club. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the M. E. church, of that place.

The hurricane of last Sunday was general over the eastern section of the United States, and a vast amount of damage is reported in Baltimore. Other cities and towns near the coast, as well as shipping, suffered severely.

Mr. James Beachman, of Avondale, gathered quite a nice lot of ice on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of last week. The ice was 2 1/2 inches in thickness. This is something unusual for November, in this section of the country.

George Mantz, of Hagerstown, freight brakeman on the Western Maryland Railroad, was seized with a spell of vertigo on Thursday and fell from his train near Cherry Run. He was found lying along the track, seriously hurt.

The Baltimore city council has ordered the electric light companies to raise their hanging lights to a level beyond the danger line. Many cases of injury received, through contact of umbrellas points with the lights, have been reported.

Eighty-two troops, including one woman were given shelter at Montevue Hospital, Frederick, Sunday night. Sunday night one week ago, ninety-two applied for and were given lodging. Those who work on the stone pile are given breakfast.

It seems to be definitely settled that Mr. Warfield, independent democrat, will be re-appointed postmaster of Baltimore, as he is supported by Senators Wellington and McComas. (Gorman, it is said, will oppose confirming the appointment as long as he is in the Senate.)

An exchange says: "There is a man in this vicinity who always pays for his paper in advance. He has not been sick a day in twenty years, has never had toothache, corns or bunions, his potatoes never rot, his hogs do not have the cholera, his hens lay great lots of eggs in winter, his babies never cry at night and his wife never scolds."

George Stately, near Thurmont, committed suicide last Friday by shooting himself through the head. He was a laboring man, and had recently cut his foot while chopping wood. He prepared for his death by removing the bandage from his wounded foot, thus releasing his great toe which he used for pressing the trigger of the gun. He leaves a large family.

Mrs. Louisa J. Shipley, widow of Tevis Shipley, of Sykesville, this county, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Hammond, on Thursday morning. She leaves two sons and one daughter. One son, J. Frank Shipley, is in the United States revenue office in Baltimore. Samuel Shipley is a farmer. The daughter is the wife of Mr. John W. Hammond, a retired farmer.

In the Circuit Court for this county, Basil Hood, aged seventy-three years, of Mt. Airy district, who was indicted for uttering a forged negotiable note, purporting to have been signed by John W. Wilson, and payable to the accused, was found, by the jury, not guilty. As Mr. Hood has always heretofore enjoyed a good reputation, his many friends rejoice with him on the result.

Mrs. Katherine Jones Shellman, an old and universally beloved resident of Westminster, died last Monday night. In former years she was a leader in all charitable works. She was one of the original congregation of the Ascension Episcopal church, which was organized about sixty years ago. One son and two daughters survive her, viz., James M. Shellman, of Uniontown; Miss Mary Bostwick Shellman and Mrs. Fanny E. Pearson, widow of the late Isaac E. Pearson, both of Westminster. Hon. John Paul Jones, of Leverage, Ind., is her brother.

The report in circulation, that Cardinal Gibbons will spend a portion of the time in Washington has caused considerable comment not only in the religious world, but generally. As the head of the Roman Catholic church in America, it is suggested that it would be fitting for him to keep in touch with national affairs, and that he could do so better by being at the Capital. Especially, it is argued, is it desirable for the Cardinal to be there at least a portion of the time—more so now than the Government's policy as to the new possessions, in which the Catholic religion prevails, is being shaped.

## THE MOTOR PROBLEM.

**The Solution of this Heretofore Doubtful Question.**

In our last issue we gave the following problem—How many gallons of water per minute is used by the motor in the RECORD office, the height of the standpipe, or reservoir, being 80 feet, standpipe at base being 35 ft., above the motor, diameter of feed orifice five-sixteenths of an inch, an allowance of one-eighth being made for friction? Prof. Meter, of Milton Academy, furnishes the following solution:

The solution of this problem is based upon the laws of falling bodies, the velocity of a jet of water depending upon the height through which it falls and upon the area of the orifice. In our problem the total height of water above the orifice being 115 feet, we get the velocity of the stream at the orifice by multiplying 64.32 (which is twice the distance a body will fall during the first second) by the height 115 and finding the square root of the product as follows:

Velocity in one second equals square root of 64.32 x 115, or 86.095 ft., which we multiply by 60 and by 2, the velocity in one minute, expressed in inches, to be 6123.2 inches.

Next, we find the area of the orifice by multiplying the square of its diameter by .7854, or

$$.625^2 \times .7854 = .07657 \text{ sq. in.}$$

Multiplying the velocity in one minute by the area and dividing the product by 231 (cubic inches in a gal), we get the number of gallons which pass through the orifice in one minute, as follows:

$$\frac{6123.2 \times .07657}{231} \text{ equals } 20.56 \text{ gallons.}$$

Allowing one-eighth for friction, we get net result, 17.99 gallons.

Mr. J. B. Rakesh, of Union Bridge, sent a correct solution, using practically the method as above, though somewhat differently expressed. For the satisfaction of those who have worked the problem, and some who have doubts as to the correctness of the above result, will state, that, by actual measurement of the water, the motor uses scant 18 gallons per minute, without the machinery attached, and from 16 to 17 gallons per minute, according to the resistance of the attachments.

**Death of William Kiser.**  
William Kiser, a well known resident of this district, who has been in ill health for several years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Aaron Zentz, near Kump, last Saturday. Funeral services were held on Tuesday morning, interment being in the Reformed cemetery. Mr. Kiser was twice married and leaves a large circle of relatives. He was a brother of James Kiser, of Keyville, Mrs. Henry Shieldt, of Hanover, Mrs. El Pitzer, of Two Taverns, and Mrs. Jacob H. Koons and Henry Kiser, of Taneytown.

Mr. Kiser was a farmer, during the greater portion of his life, but for a number of years was engaged in public road making, an occupation in which he was generally considered a success. He leaves six children, Mrs. Aaron Zentz, J. Frank and E. Grant Kiser of this district, John W., living in Hanover, Pa., Edwin Z., in Baltimore, and Samuel, in the West.

On your paper, is a label. On this label, there's a date. On this date, if you are able to read, should be changed from old, to late. It's back, or up to seven. Let us change it now to eight—Unless, a nine you'd rather have on. Don't be backward, so to state.

## Is Progressive Euchre, Gambling?

Judge Stake, of Hagerstown court, in sentencing a Sharpsburg man for keeping a gambling house, said that he did not know but that progressive euchre parties, where prizes are play ed for, come within the law against gambling. This semi-legal opinion, against this form of amusement, is entitled to the consideration of those who indulge in it, particularly of those who desire to avoid even the semblance of wrong-doing.

## Church Notices.

The preaching in the Taneytown U. B. church next Sunday will be in the morning at 10 o'clock, and at Harney in the evening at 7 o'clock. All are welcome.

## MARRIED.

**LITTLE-BABYLON.**—On Dec. 1, '98, at the Lutheran parsonage, Uniontown, by Rev. G. W. Baughman, Mr. Lewis R. Little to Miss Vennie B. Babylon.

## DIED.

**Obituaries, poetry and resolutions, prepared for at the rate of five cents per line. The regular death notices published free of charge.**  
**TRIMMER.**—On Dec. 7, '98, in Frederick, Mr. Abram Trimmer, aged 70 years, 11 months and 3 days.  
**KUHNS.**—On Dec. 2, '98, near Piney Creek, Mr. James Kuhns, in his 80th year.  
**KISER.**—On Dec. 3, '98, near Kump, Mr. William Kiser, aged 68 years and 2 months.  
**SHELLMAN.**—On Dec. 5th, '98, in Westminster, Mrs. Katherine Jones Shellman, aged 52 years and 16 days.  
**PERRY.**—On Nov. 25th, '98 at her home, 938 Spalding Ave., Chicago, of lung trouble, Mrs. Anna R. Perry, wife of John A. Perry, aged 35 years, 11 months and 14 days. Interment at Oak Lawn cemetery, Dwight, Ill.  
Near the home of her childhood, she was laid to rest.

On a white satin pillow— Her hands on her breast. O! sister dear, how sad it is To think that thou art gone But we know 'tis ordered so That God will claim his own— By her Sister—L. P.  
**(NOTE.)**—John A. Perry is a son of the late Peter Perry, of Union Bridge district, this county.—Ed.

## THE WEEK IN COURT.

**A Number of Important Cases Disposed of.**

State of Md., vs Maurice Knott; larceny of the use of a horse. Tried before jury; verdict not guilty. J. M. Reifsnider for state and Henning & Weant for traverser.

State of Md. vs George A. Hill; larceny. Tried before jury; verdict guilty. J. M. Reifsnider for state, and Henning & Weant for traverser.

State of Md. vs Basil Hood; forgery. Tried before jury; verdict not guilty. J. M. Reifsnider for state, and Bond and Park for prisoner.

State of Md. vs Wm. Wright; obtaining liquor for a minor; two cases. Adjudged guilty in both cases, and released on ticket of leave. J. M. Reifsnider for state and Steele for traverser.

State of Md. vs Oscar Baumgardner; selling liquor without license. Tried before jury; verdict not guilty. J. M. Reifsnider for state and Bond and Park for prisoner.

State of Md. vs Levi M. Louck; selling liquor on Sunday; before jury; verdict guilty. J. M. Reifsnider for state and Henning & Weant for traverser.

State of Md. vs Wm. Horton; obtaining liquor for a minor, two cases. Tried before court; verdict not guilty. J. M. Reifsnider for state and Steele for traverser.

State of Md. vs Charles Byers; obtaining liquor for a minor. Tried before court; verdict not guilty. J. M. Reifsnider for state and Steele for traverser.

The Grand Jury adjourned on Tuesday, after being in session seventeen days, and submitted the following report:

**REPORT OF GRAND JURY.**  
To the Honorable, the Judges of the Circuit Court for Carroll county.  
The Grand Jury of Carroll county for the November Term of Court, in the year 1898, respectfully beg leave to report as follows:

We have, to the best of our ability, carefully tried all the affairs of the court which have been brought to our attention; we have examined 98 witnesses, 68 cases, found 57 indictments, and 12 cases, not including indictments could be sustained.

A committee of the Grand Jury visited the Alms House, and we received information as to the health of the inmates, that new doors and new windows be put in certain rooms, as it will help to make the surroundings more comfortable, as the troubles have been removed. The inmates all expressed themselves as being well cared for, in all particulars.

We visited the jail, and the jail in very bad condition in very many ways, 1st., The sanitary condition is extremely bad; we believe prisoners should be kept as prisoners, but that they should be kept as human beings. 2nd., The jail is not secure to keep prisoners in. 3rd., The jail is not large enough. 4th., There should be a separate place for female prisoners. 5th., We wish to express in strong terms, that the sheriff's residence should not be so closely connected with the jail, as it is now, but to come within the jail influence. 6th., We believe the time has come when something should be done; we strongly recommend that the County Commissioners do something and do it right; and not to undertake to repair the old jail, as it is past repairing.

**LARKIN S. BENNETT, Foreman.**

## Hall Opening.

(For the RECORD.)  
The Linwood Hall, situated at Linwood, Md., under the control, and for the benefit of the Linwood Union Sunday school, will be formally opened with religious exercises, on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 18th., at 2 p. m. Rev. B. W. Kindley, of Uniontown, and Rev. D. Frank Garland, of Taneytown, have been selected as the speakers for the occasion.

The building is a handsome two-story frame structure, the upper room of which will be occupied by the Sunday school. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to be present. There will positively be no personal solicitation nor any other objectionable feature to collect money. The audience will simply be waited upon for a free will offering. All are welcomed. The addresses will be along the line of Sunday school work, and should be of interest to Sunday school workers. Give us the encouragement of your presence.

**Assaulted by a Tramp.**  
Miss Teresa Stately, a daughter of William Stately, near Woodsboro, was assaulted and roughly handled by a tramp, last Monday afternoon, while on her way to her home from Woodsboro. As soon as the news could be made known, several hundred men scoured the country in every direction, but no person answering the description could be found. It is thought that the tramp in question was one who had just served a fifteen days sentence at Montevue, too disorderly conduct. If found, he will likely be lynched. He is described as a short, heavy set man, about 5 feet 2 or 3 inches in height, with a stubby red beard of several weeks growth.

## Register your Sales.

The first week in January we will begin our annual Sale Register, which, as usual, will be free to all who have bills printed at this office, or a charge of 50c will be made when the printing is done elsewhere. During December all who have selected their dates should hand in the same at our office, in order that they may be filed, and ready for the first issue in January. We strongly recommend a full advertisement of sales in our columns, and shall have something to say, editorially, on the subject, in the near future.

## DOUBLE PIPE CREEK NEWS.

**Man Found Dead in a Cut near Rocky Ridge.**

The heavy wind and rain of Sunday night did but little damage in the section, some fencing and other buildings being blown down, and the bold and fearless, as well as the nervous and timid, were kept away from church services.

The D. P. Creek Weekly Bible Class, which was organized a week ago at Elder John S. Weybright's, met at J. C. Eiler's on Wednesday night, and will meet next week at Samuel Weybright's, subject, "Job's Lament."

The bridge across the Monocacy, at Dr. C. H. Dieter's farm, is finished, and travel has been resumed. The protracted meeting which is being held in the M. E. church, by Rev. Slagle, is well attended.

Mr. David Biedler, who was found dead in the Rocky Ridge cut, on Saturday night, was left lying in the ditch until Sunday noon before Justice Albert Close got it together; the body was then put in a rough box and left lying in the depot until the next day, when undertaker J. W. Biedler, of this place, arranged for it to be buried in the German Baptist cemetery at Rocky Ridge; services were held at the grave by Elder J. S. Weybright. It is said that the unfortunate man's family lives in Gettysburg, and are in good circumstances; his cousin lives near Rocky Ridge. All refused to keep him or give him a place to stay, so that he was seen sitting on a cross-tie, when struck, as his cut head and torn clothes would indicate. He is supposed to have been intoxicated when he was on his way to the residence of Mr. John Eyer, at Monocacy, where he was employed a resting place when in a dilemma. He was about 65 years of age.

Miss Vallie Shorb is on the sick list with sore throat.  
Mrs. M. L. S. Warren struck a sausage while cleaning up, and was scalded, without a link or break. Who can beat that?  
Mrs. Thomas Myerly and daughter, of Brunswick, spent Thursday with Mr. James Myerly.  
Mrs. M. J. Eichelberger and daughter Marion, spent a day at Mr. G. C. Eichelberger's.

## Agricultural, in Fact.

The following, from the Frederick Examiner, is honest and to the point, and coincides with previously expressed views of the RECORD. The Agricultural Fair, in fact, is nearly a thing of the past, and it soon will be, also, in race, unless steps are taken now, to effect radical changes in the right direction;

"We never could understand why a class of gentlemen would go before the public and say they were going to hold an Agricultural Fair, and at the same time know that but little of the time the fair would be in operation, would be devoted to agriculture. Take our own fair. What had we in the interest of agriculture? Not a single lecture on any subject of interest, not a single article distributed in the interest of the tiller of the soil. Plenty of horse racing, but our sturdy farmers are not so much interested in that line. We want more machinery, more money spent as premiums for different kinds of grain produced by our country, that we might induce our farmers to feed and exhibit their own stock. Let the circle enclosed by the race track be filled with machinery of every description. Give every inducement to manufacturers to put their articles on exhibition. Compare our recent fair, from an agricultural standpoint, with the fair held ten years or more ago, and you will see the difference. Once but little horse-racing, but large exhibits of machinery; now horse-racing takes the lead and fairs take the rear. No literature, no consideration. Let our fair be an Agricultural Fair in fact."

We do not wish to be unjust in our criticisms, but we are stating facts. The Directors of our fair are among the leading men of this county, many of them prominent farmers, and we have large crowds at our fair, but how many are farmers? They are conspicuous for their absence. If you are a farmer, you are not to be invited to a man they will tell you that they lack interest in our fair because of the lack of machinery and of encouragement to local farmers. If it were an Agricultural Fair, let it be operated in the interest of agriculturists. Let the farmer be the first man to be benefited, and those who go to see the "amusements" be a second consideration. Let our fair be an Agricultural Fair in fact."

Wind storm insurance has had a very fine boom in this neighborhood, the past week.  
The Bible Class of the German Baptist church met at J. D. Seim's on Wednesday evening, 30th inst. There was quite a good attendance. Those present report having had a very pleasant and instructive meeting. An increase in attendance was noted at such meetings; is the true way to insure the permanence of our republic.

## Uniontown.

Last Sunday we were visited by a severe wind and rain storm from the east; it did considerable damage. Mr. James Brown's cigar shop, on Clear Ridge, was partly unroofed, and the rain poured in on his stock of tobacco and cigars, doing considerable damage to the same. The storm also blew a window half way across Mr. James S. Waltz's garret, and before he could get the window back, the rain came crashing through the ceiling, but did no further damage.  
Mr. M. D. Mehling and sister, Miss Alexina, of Clear Ridge, were visiting in Taneytown on Monday.  
On Sunday three citizens in town were on fire; those of Charles Hill, Samuel Heltabrille and John Blaxter; no damage was done.

Dr. J. Weaver and wife and Mrs. Beulah Weaver, went to Washington, D. C. on Wednesday. They will spend the winter at the hotel Clearendon.  
Miss Lou Eckard, who has been visiting relatives in Baltimore the past three weeks, returned home on Tuesday.  
Mrs. Penelope Martin, of Westminster, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Weaver.

Mrs. Fannie Dekehart has returned to her home in Middleburg, and a pretty wedding was solemnized at the Lutheran parsonage, on Dec. 1st, by Rev. G. W. Baughman, the contracting parties being Mr. Lewis R. Little and Miss Vennie B. Babylon.

Miss Lizzie and Etta Geiman, of Loudon Co., Va., nieces of Mrs. Davis Myers, and Miss Cora Geiman, of Westminster, have been visiting at Mr. Davis Myers', the past week.  
Mr. John Heck intended to kill his hog on Thursday, but on going to the pen in the morning, he found the animal dead; we did not learn what was supposed to be wrong with it.

The Director of the Mint was at the New York Sub-Treasury the other day, and his attention was called to the wholesale counterfeiters of pennies. During one month of this year an average of about 800 counterfeiters of pennies was received at the Sub-Treasury, and the number is nearly as great now.

## Correspondence.

All communications for the RECORD must be signed by the writer's own name, not by any other person, and must be accompanied by the writer's full name and address. The material and facts transmitted are legitimate, and not of a miscellaneous character are not wanted.

## Harney.

Work on our bridge is moving along nicely, and the job will soon be completed. We believe that the iron work will be a good job, but do not think that the plank are what they should be for a floor of that kind; they are nearly all sawwood and some are almost beginning to decay; those there saving is very irregular and some of the plank are nearly an inch thicker than others. We have been told that one of the gentlemen who handled the plank said that they were very poor, and should not be sent down, but the saw mill man said "haul them down, and if they do not want them let them go."

We do not blame Mr. Beard, the boss workman, but we do think that the plank should have been hauled down long ago. The saw work had begun; then the commissioners should have examined them and condemned what were not fit for use, but this was not done, and the consequence is we are going to have a very poor floor. We have been asked if we did not think that the commissioners would refuse to accept the job after this has happened, and the answer is, no, because we have no knowledge of any job ever being condemned, and even if the commissioners were not satisfied with the plank, the saw work is done all right, and Mr. Beard was compelled to put the floor down with the material that was furnished him for that purpose, and nearly everything was realized. Of course, if the goods were in good condition, and were nearly as good as new.

Butchering is nearly all done, with few exceptions. One or two fine fine puddings hogs to kill and another has what some of our people call a "mess pork," it is the kind that it takes care for a mess. Mr. C. O. Snider already has his windows trimmed up in good shape.  
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Paying Subscribers Wanted.

The Record, in the near future, will clear its subscription list of a number of non-paying subscribers, some of whom owe for two and three years, as we do not propose to keep up a big circulation at our own expense.

The newspaper fraternity has only itself to blame for the abuse of credit in this direction. It may be the result of inexcusable carelessness, and lack of proper business management, or it may be an account of the mistaken idea that a big circulation is better than a good bank account, or a dependence on the ultimate collection of large accounts through persons becoming conscience-stricken.

No matter whether there is a reason, or not, it can't be a good one. Newspapers, as well as individuals and business men generally, are entitled to payment for services rendered, and the Record proposes to hew a new way for itself in the direction of a subscription list which amounts to a genuine asset.

Many people who allow themselves to become in arrears for newspapers, do so simply because they think the sum due is only small, and it makes no particular difference to anybody whether it is paid promptly or not. Others, subscribe for a short time—three or six months, just long enough to get their names on the list—with the pre-conceived idea of getting the paper free, thereafter, as long as the editor's faith holds out.

Still another class receives the paper, who are doubtfully responsible—who will pay when made to do so, and not otherwise. All these people receive the same paper, and it is presumed, get the same value out of it, as those who conscientiously and willingly pay promptly, and thus make it possible for the paper to exist.

There is nothing fair about the methods of the average county paper, and we propose to try to improve them in our field.

Jar of Beans Lottery.

Nearly every week, one or more of our exchanges publishes the announcements, or results, of guessing contents, which depend wholly on chance—for instance, guessing the number of beans in a jar. This scheme has been decided a lottery, and, in violation of the postal laws referring to lotteries, inasmuch as there is scarcely the semblance of an arithmetical problem in the proposition. The result depends on chance—lottery—and the prize, offered, is as much a lottery prize, as those drawn during the palmy days of the Louisiana state lottery.

The Record has called attention to this matter, before, and has refused advertisements, which, however, other papers have accepted. We prefer to be on the safe side, and not take chances. The postal laws provide that information as to all such schemes of chance is debared from the mails; that, such matter shall be refused by postmasters, and, if discovered in the mails, shall not be delivered; that newspaper publishers, and others, who shall knowingly deposit, or cause to be deposited, or who shall knowingly send or cause to be sent, matter of the above description, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction, shall be punished by a fine of \$500, or by imprisonment for one year, or by both fine and imprisonment.

People who "Don't Care."

The man who says he does not care "what people say" about him, either makes a mis-statement, or is a dangerous man in a community. By far the larger portion of people do care what is said of them and their acts, no matter how independently (?) they may make directly opposite statements, and how hard they try to make themselves believe they are stating their honest convictions. Every person likes to have everybody else agree with him—to have people believe, in him, and as he does; to have them criticize him favorably, rather than unfavorably; to have friends, rather than enemies.

Certainly, having ones "own way," is, as a rule, a very much desired form of selfishness, but the best men exist because of the very fact that they have not always had the free exercise of mind and will. At times, on the other hand, it is absolutely necessary that men should follow convictions of right, irrespective of what "people say," and they, too, stand for the best men, because they represent force of character—determination to do the right, as they see the right. Individual action, therefore, depends largely, for rectitude, on the ability of one to think properly, and act only from noble and honest impulses.

The man who is not actuated by a well trained, honest, conscience, who does not care what people say of him,

is, as we said before, a dangerous man in a community. He is the man who will drive hard bargains and engage in doubtful deals. He will destroy morality, honor and good name for the purpose of gaining an end. He will play close to the clutches of the law, indulge in smart practices and questionable schemes in defiance of public sentiment, friendship and custom, if by so doing he may fatten his bank account.

Frequently, very wealthy and powerful people are the most dangerous, because, apparently, they are not dependent on the public for favors, consequently the public need not be afraid of them. In this is found the chief evil of professional politics; and of the accumulation of large sums of money—the party boss, and the trust. Whenever we know this hard-headed and superior individual, who follows his own will in defiance of everybody and everything, he is likely to be either very good, or very bad, with chances favoring the latter. Generally speaking, the expression, "don't care what people say," is untrue, and the world is decidedly better because of this fact.

The President's Message.

The President's message is unusual, but it contains few direct suggestions, stating merely facts or hypotheses, and leaving Congress to draw its own inferences. A large part—more than a third—is a recapitulation of the events leading up to and including the war. The brilliant victory achieved by Dewey in Manila Bay is given proper recognition, as also some naval skirmishes on the Cuban coast, but Admiral Schley does not figure in this brief story of the war. The remarkable naval battle of Santiago is duly chronicled, but it is alleged to have been fought by the American fleet under command of Commodore Sampson. The President, of course, derived his information from the Navy Department, which has always professed to be under the impression that Sampson was in that fight, but the American people are better informed. Sampson was not present on that occasion, more's the pity for him, and Commodore Schley was, as his flagship will even now bear witness.

The only allusion made by the message to the Philippines is the recommendation that Congress, in imitation of Spain's policy, ought to subsidize lines of steamers to Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines, as the means of increasing trade and developing the resources of the new territories. This could be accomplished quicker by reviving section 23 of the present tariff act, which levies discriminating duties upon all goods carried in foreign bottoms. It would give greater stability to trade, and it would save the money which subsidies involve. Moreover, it would be a practical enforcement of the declared policy of the Republican party.

The President makes an admirable suggestion with regard to the proper conduct of war. He asks Congress to give him authority to negotiate with the other great powers for the establishment of the principle that all private property, except contraband of war, be exempt from seizure on the ocean in time of war. This proposal was made by Wm. L. Marey more than forty years ago, and declined by the European powers. There cannot be the slightest doubt of its justice and propriety. There is no more reason for robbery and pillage on the water than on land, and the only objection to such a nation can have in adhering to such a barbarous custom must be selfish, predatory and essentially unmoral.

The President makes a favorable review of the finances, and renews his proposal that the treasury be authorized when greenbacks are paid in for gold to set them aside and pay them out only for gold, and in this connection he recommends a special gold reserve for the redemption of greenbacks. This is the only specific monetary recommendation. He says: "It is not to be inferred that other legislation relating to our currency is not required; on the contrary, there is an obvious demand for it." But he does not say what sort of legislation is needed, which leaves the matter precisely where it was at the opening of the last session of Congress.

The message endorses the recommendation of the War Department that the army be increased to 100,000 men, and says that as soon as this is authorized the volunteers will be mustered out of service, a privilege due them for their prompt rally to their country's aid, under conditions which worked hardship to a great number of them. The Secretary of the Navy's recommendations for the increase of the navy are also approved. They include the building of three battleships, three armored cruisers, three protected cruisers of 12,000 tons, three ordinary cruisers of 6,000 tons, three protected cruisers of 3,500 tons each.

The foreign relations of the United States are, for the most part, satisfactory. The high joint commission is still at work endeavoring to find some basis upon which this country can live comfortably with Canada, and there are some outstanding claims against other countries which have not been settled, and probably never will be, but they furnish no reason for anxiety.—Balt. American.

Remarkable Rescue.

Mrs. Minnie Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement, that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from the first dose. She continued its use, and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well; now does her own housework, and is as well as she ever was.—Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at R. S. McKinney's Drug Store. Large bottles 50 cents and \$1.00.

Congress and the Army.

The whole problem is complicated by the fact that action by Congress is necessary in any case. The administration of the army is so completely hampered by cast-iron laws that no

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radical nor extensive reforms can be made except by legislation. The hands of the President are tied as completely as are those of the general commanding. The root of the whole difficulty is in the penurious spirit which has been shown toward the army in legislation.

1st. You will need something for the children, so we will begin with them. What can you give them that they will appreciate more than Toys? Now last season our buyer went into the market the second time for Toys, and bought a large quantity of them at a very low price.

2nd. What will your mother, sister, wife or daughter appreciate more than a New Waist or Dress? So, for your benefit, we will continue our Great Black and Colored Silk and Dress Goods Sale.

3rd. What man or boy would not appreciate a new Suit of Clothes, a pair of Shoes in latest style, or a new Necktie, as a present? Don't forget when buying for them that we have an excellent line of Men's and Boys' Shoes, Gents' Furnishings, etc., and that we are selling out our entire line of Clothing at cost.

4th. We have a lot of odds and ends in Dishes that we brought in from our store at Pleasant Valley, which we will offer at about 25 per cent less than cost.

5th. Come and examine our stock even if you don't buy.

J. T. ORNDORFF'S SONS.

The third week of our Great Bargain Sale brings us near Christmas, and as we are giving these sales for your benefit, we have gone over our stock and have selected what we thought you would need and appreciate.

Books, Iron and Wooden Goods, Drums, Express Wagons, Dolls, Sleds, Games, Building Blocks, etc.—at and Below Cost. Most of them below.

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The people are coming from East and from West; They know that we handle no goods but the best. The rich and the poor; the young and the gray. When in need of Cheap Goods, are all flocking this way.

They have been here before—they all know the way. And the reason they come, is because they know it will pay. The goods that we sell, and the prices 'way down. Are bringing them here from the whole country 'round.

But Brother, remember, in this advanced age; There is, as was always, two sides to a page; On one side you stand in the light of the Sun— On the other you read what you better had done.

That which you read on the opposite side Will tell you to come to this store and abide; For here, you will learn, as in days gone by, Is the place to save money, and the right place to buy.

DRY GOODS.

Come and see the DRESS GOODS we are selling at 10c and 12c per yard; the GINGHAMS we offer at 4c and 5c; the COMFORTS you can buy at 75c and \$1.00; our 10-4 and 11-4 BLANKETS at 50c, 75c, 87c and \$1.00; the UNDERWEAR you can get for 12c to 25c (white or gray).

SHOES!

Don't fail, above all, to take a peep at our brag 99c SHOES for Ladies, and our \$1.00 Coarse and Fine SHOES for Men.

Boy's Suits, from \$1.25 up.

All Pack Coffee, 10c; delicious Syrups, 20c to 40c; Shoes and Boots down to zero; Leather Gloves, 25c and upward; Hosiery (children's, Misses' and Ladies'), down to 5c; Columbia Shirts, 6c; Cotton Flannels, 'way down; Red Flannels (the best ever seen for the money), 15c and upward; Oilcloths and Carpets, so cheap they cannot lie still.

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These pills are used with advantage in Disordered, Sluggish Liver, after imprudent and full meals, rich indigestible food and the dissipation of High Life. They are without taste, mild in operation, effective and are not followed by an after Sick Stomach. Coated Pills are easily swallowed if placed under the tongue, behind the front teeth of the lower jaw, and drinking a full draught of cool water, or lemonade. Try it. DIRECTIONS. For IMPROBATION—two pills at bedtime, when indigestion threatens, and after full meals. For CONSTIPATION—two pills after meals, and at bedtime, when the bowels have not been moved during the day. If the bowels have not been moved during the day the pills are not to be used. The dose may be gradually lessened as the constiveness is removed. The dose may be increased if the bowels do not respond as expected. For BRUISES—One or two pills after meals, and at bedtime when the bowels have not been moved during the day. For BURNS—One or two pills after meals, and at bedtime when the bowels have not been moved during the day. For SCALDS—One or two pills after meals, and at bedtime when the bowels have not been moved during the day. For WOUNDS—One or two pills after meals, and at bedtime when the bowels have not been moved during the day. For ALL PAINS—One or two pills after meals, and at bedtime when the bowels have not been moved during the day.

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**Gettysburg.** (Continued.)  
(For the Home Circle.)  
On college epaulet the signals wave,  
Directing movements of the armies vast;  
In halls of learning war's grim councils have  
Inconspicuous where students had been  
And yonder, from the elevation high,  
Leaves the scene, with half-glass to his  
His piercing eye glanced keenly o'er the field,  
He saw his troops advance, stand or retreat;

And in his mind what thoughts were then  
Concealed?  
How planned he for a conquest or defeat?  
He, sad, but resolute, the danger knew,  
And stood like Joan d'Arc at Waterloo.  
The wild flowers bloom where the dead heroes lie,  
Blown by soft winds they droop upon his  
heart;  
Nature entwined, as if to sympathize,  
Her fern leaves green and roses white as  
snow;

And as he rests—the soil beneath his head,  
A leafy canopy above him spread,  
See! there the dying soldier calmly lies,  
Nor seems to dread the coming of death,  
The light of life is fading from his eyes,  
And quick and tranquil is his dying breath;  
And his last thoughts far from the battle  
run.  
To wife and children and a cottage home,  
And he is looking with a earnest gaze  
Upon a portrait; like the evening stars  
That sparkle brighter when is cleared the  
haze  
From the blue sky and naught their  
brilliance mars,  
His eyes regain their lustre when they see  
The image of his own dear family.

He holds the likeness till his arm no more  
Sustains the hand that falls above his  
heart,  
And there it rests when nothing can restore  
The hues of life that from his face depart;  
The picture clasping in his last long sleep—  
A scene to make the stoutest pause and  
weep.  
His wife and children in their vine-clad  
home  
By the blue Juniata nestled are,  
They fondly hope that soon the time will  
come  
When he returns in safety from the war;  
The patient mother pines her household care,  
The children gambol or her labors share,  
Severely wounded, two brave soldiers lie,  
One wears the blue, the other wears the gray  
One from the North, one from a Southern  
blat.

And see no longer enemies, they're seen  
Refreshment to share from a canteen.  
J. W. SLAUGHER.

**Suggestions for Christmas.**  
(For the Home Circle.)  
In making our selections for Christmas gifts for friends, we should bear in mind, that anything of a practical nature—something really useful—though simple and cheap—will, in most cases, be more acceptable than costly trifles. A book, a time-piece, and only to look at and take care of. As housekeepers are in the kitchen, more hours of the day than in any other part of the house, let us make first a set of nice holders, some to hang bare the stove, some for ironing, or a set of tea towels, napkins or tray cloth; gifts that come in use often will remind them of the giver, while the finer articles are laid away so carefully, that gift and giver are probably soon forgotten.

Then, for the girls, there are so many pretty, inexpensive articles made by the use of crepe tissue paper and pasteboard boxes. A pretty glove box was given to my little girl one Christmas. It is long, somewhat like a corset box, with a lid fastened at one side, prettily lined and covered with tissue paper, around the ends, and in front of the lid a narrow ruffle projects, and on the top is fastened a bunch of pink daisies, loosely gathered and of their long green stems tied in the middle. It is easily made and useful as well as very pretty.

For a mother with small tots to look after, take a small fruit basket, cover and line with some pretty cotton goods gathered on, handle an all; make a travel book for safety pins, also box for the powder bag; fasten one to each end of basket, inside, turquoise with brush and comb for baby, and mamma cannot help being pleased.

Little girls can make of chaumos, something nice for Grandpa or Grandma, to wipe off their spectacles. Cut out a heart about three inches across, and button-hole with pretty silk or bind with baby ribbon; it can be carried in the pocket, and will surely give pleasure. Tie some paper dolls and birds, made of tissue paper, stuffed with cotton, to a pretty covered hoop, and suspend it out of Toddler's reach, and, see how much he will enjoy it.

**Aunt Dorothy's Trip.**  
(For the Home Circle.)  
We have now been in this historical old city ten days, and have seen much to interest us. Have visited all the places of note, but space will not permit to mention but a few. We climbed to the top of Bunker Hill Monument, 235 steps, and came down safely. We were into the Art Museum, which was grand indeed; Public Library immense; Old South Church, which is now and long since kept as a museum for antiquities. We saw many things there hundreds of years old, and were shown the window that General Warren came in on the platform, and made the telling speech that quieted the riotous clamor of those perilous times during the battle of Lexington. We walked up on the platform and sat in one of the antique chairs. We felt as though we were

living in the 17th century, as all around hung old portraits of our Revolutionary Heroes, a map of Boston in 1720, the first flag that hung from Liberty tree in 1775, and thousands of interesting relics of "ye olden time."  
Boston has fine churches, as well as fine stores. Tremont Temple is magnificent. We also passed by several ancient churches, surrounded by cemeteries, hundreds of years old. We noticed on the grave stones the dates of 1500. The stones, many of them, are crumbling to pieces. We also visited the Navy Yard across the river. We saw lying in the harbor, the Pedro, our first prize vessel taken during the war with Spain, also the Vesuvius torpedo boat, that did good service in the same unpleasantness, and many other men-of-war lying in the harbor.

The Sub Way I would like to describe, but find it impossible—to do it was simply wonderful, and far surpasses the elevated road in New York. One day we took the Old Colony train and went to Plymouth, a distance of 26 miles from Boston. The town has a population of 9000 inhabitants, but at Plymouth Rock is the centre of attraction at that place. It is enclosed by a granite monument of modest proportions, but very handsome. The iron gate stood open, and we walked in and sat upon the rock; 1620 is cut deeply in the stone. We stood on the pier and watched the tide come in and walked around the ancient town, until our train was due.

We spent one half day at Harvard University, and were delighted. J. Harvey Brumbaugh, a student there, informed us there was about 4000 students at that time. We visited Harvard Museum, Peabody Museum, Museum of Art and Memorial Hall. We could not do justice to any one place, as our time was limited, but we were delighted with everything. We went up in Memorial Hall gallery during our dinner hour, and looked down into the dining room that seats 1200 at one time. It was a grand sight. The Museum of Art and Natural History was the finest I have ever seen and would like to have spent more time among the many curiosities in that historic place, but we were very tired and night was approaching, so we recessed the beautiful Charles River, and were again in Boston.

We also attended the Mechanics' Institute, and saw them making electricity; everything in Boston runs by electricity. Their Institute is fine and is kept open three months. At night the scene was beautiful, with its thousands of electric lights outside as well as inside of the building. We were delighted with everything we saw during our journey and before this manuscript will reach the readers of this paper, our tour will be ended and we will be in our own home.

**Thanksgiving.**  
(For the Home Circle.)  
On this Thanksgiving day, we gather around the festive board once more, And, while we merry make,  
Much have we to be thankful for.

War, has to some, brought desolation,  
And robbed the friends that  
Wives, still sit in mourning,  
We see them, just as fast,  
We're thankful for God's loving care,  
Our health and strength and friends,  
The harvest that we've gathered in,  
And each new blessing that he sends.

**To Dora E—**  
(For the Home Circle.)  
I was more than pleased with your last beautiful letter. Why it almost put mine to shame. It showed that you were a busy and studious little lassie. I enjoy your chemical demonstrations, and memory gems, very much indeed. I want to whisper a little secret in your ear—My mother very seldom reads, but when your letter appears in the RECORD, she will inquire for the page and column, and read it from beginning to end.

Here is another little secret I am going to confide. Eva has been keeping a diary, and she thought she would like me to see it, and have it put in form for the Home Circle. She has not come with it, though it has been quite a long time since she mentioned the subject to me, and I wondered greatly, that I did not have a visit from her. A short time ago my mind was set to rest about the incident. Eva has two big brothers, and I was told, that they teased their sister so much about her diary, that she gave up the idea of ever having the collection appear in the RECORD. Don't you think, it is too bad to have big teasing brothers?

Winter is upon us, and we had ice and snow in November, as early as Thanksgiving day, but not of the depth and intensity that beset the pilgrim band, from whom the day originated. Our young folks would hold high carnival, if we were to have a repetition of a genuine New England winter, with sleighs, cutters, and sleds gliding swiftly over the crisp snow to the tune of merry laughter, and the tinkle of bells. But, I would rather have your regular, bright warm climate, your beautiful blooming flowers, fine vegetables and tropical fruits, than our winter snows and piercing winds.

Aunt Dorothy has been a very busy woman all summer, and I am glad she has taken a trip, for a change will do her much good. Her letters are very pleasant and interesting. I wonder if she will drop her soft Southern accent, for the Boston—and broad "a" and "ah," before she returns. I rather admire the accent of the Boston people.

Have you any idea what has become of Aunt Prudence and Faber Penell? They have not written one single line this winter. We hope they are not tired of the Home Circle family.  
Poor old Aunt Charity is all alone, and will be eighty-four years old this month. She is sick, blind and feeble, and is not so well provided with food and warm clothing as in past winters; Eva and Edna often take her things to eat. Nora and Ella (two nice little school girls) went to her home on Saturday, swept her floors, dusted the things, washed the windows, and cleaned her lamps. I hope

the girls will repeat their kind acts again.  
Our little six-year-old Maurice carries milk and cottage cheese to her every few days. He says, "I would like to do something for Aunt Charlotte, but she never has anything I can do." I suggested, bringing in wood from the yard. He said, "I do ask her to let me carry in her wood, but she never seems to have any out, and I am too little to split wood," and so he is. I hope the girls and boys will play Red Riding Hood to poor Aunt Charity—they need not fear any wolf.

**Robbed the Grave.**  
A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters'; and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim. No one should fail to try them. Only a few cents per bottle at R. S. McKinley's Drug Store."

**Care of the Eyes.**  
It is a delusion, according to the best authorities now, that to read while in a recumbent position is injurious to the eyes. Oculists now tell us that if the light be clear and the type of the printed page good we may safely indulge in the luxury of lying down and reading at the same time. But our oculist warns us that we may not use our eyes before breakfast, as the strain on the optic nerve will seriously affect the sight. Unless one has unusually strong eyes one must not read when one is extremely weary. Exhaustion and fatigue affect the nerves of the body, and the optic nerve is so sensitive that it should receive particular consideration. Nor should one ever be guilty of the carelessness of reading or writing facing a window. This is a cruel strain on the sight. Washing the eyes morning and night in water as hot as it can be borne is a wonderful tonic.

**What Children Say.**  
Here are some of the sentences written by the pupils in one room of one of the schools, according to the Memphis Commercial-Appal: "My sister's hair is lurid."  
"The man's coat was brief."  
"The lady put on a brief, sententious style."  
"He made many indigent remarks."  
"The doctor gave the baby epithaph."  
"The girl conjoined to go home."  
"God is a superfluous being."  
"The man's porous was open."  
"The moist was dry."  
"Sam, is there any writing in this book?" questioned the teacher.  
"No, ma'am; there is no writing there except the dagu writing," he said as he pointed to the italics.  
Here are some questions and answers in a recent examination: "What causes day and night and the change of seasons?"  
"The sun causes day, moon causes night, and the weather causes change of seasons."  
"How is a river formed?"  
"A river is formed long and narrow."  
"A volcano, throws out sand and smoke and hot bricks."  
"What key in music has no signature?"  
"Door key."  
"What does D. C. mean in music?"  
"District of Columbia."  
"What is a note?"  
"Short communication."  
In a physiology examination were these answers: "It is not safe to take the first glass, because it leads you and the man with you to the habit of alcoholic drinks."  
"By the law of heredity we understand that it teaches us to use our muscles, and that alcohol deadens the nerves. Opium and alcohol have similar results. This is called God's law."

**Oysters—How to fix 'Em.**  
The return of the fall and winter months brings us the toothsome oyster again, delicious for luncheon or dinner, and best of all as a late lunch before retiring to those who can take liberties with their digestions without dread of a hereafter. For the signs of age are not entirely confined to gray hairs and wrinkles. Another proof lies in the necessity of humoring the stomach.  
The world uses about 35,000,000 bushels of oysters every year, and six-sevenths of them are produced in the United States. New Yorkers eat about ten million oysters a day during the oyster season, and 25,000 men are employed in near-by waters in gathering and handling the product of the oyster beds.  
The oyster, like everything else, is much better when fresh from his native element than after he has been canned and "shucked," as he comes to us, and there are oysters—and oysters, and a good deal depends on how he is cooked. Some excellent recipes for getting him on the table in good shape are appended, gleaned from the editor's culinary scrap book, and some of which she has tested and called good.  
Fried oysters are delicious, if you fry them right. Drain them—they should be "selects" for frying—roll them in bread crumbs that are quite dry and have been salted and peppered, and fry quickly in hot butter or drippings and butter. Do not fry till you are ready to eat them. They should go to the table "piping hot." Serve pickles of some kind with them. Often they are dipped first in beaten egg and then rolled in the crumbs.  
Escalloped oysters are very grateful to the palate when well made. As they are sometimes served they would discourage a goat. A few hot oysters in a mess of moist, unpleasant cream—like the soaked headback the boys complained about in Cuba—is nothing to induce one to "come again." The crumbs should be of fresh, crisp crackers, or if breadcrumbs are preferred the bread should be stale and dry. A layer of oysters in the bottom of the baking dish, covered with the crumbs, and seasoned with bits of butter and salt and pepper. Alternate layers of oysters and crumbs fill the dish; each layer is seasoned, and one should be liberal and yet discreet as regards the allowance of butter. Then, instead of using milk or anything else to moisten, boil, skim and strain the oyster liquor and turn a cupful over the oysters—or more if necessary.

An old Virginia recipe for oysters fried in butter requires, for the batter four tablespoonfuls of sifted flour, one of butter or olive oil, a little salt, the beaten whites of two eggs and enough milk to make a batter that will not stick to the spoon. Dust each oyster lightly with salt and pepper, dip in the batter and fry in deep fat, as you would fried cakes, draining on paper. When you want to serve oysters on toast a nice way is to "pan" them, as it is called. Mix a tablespoonful of butter in a dish, put in the oysters, cook them till they begin to plump,

and the edges to ruffle, then serve on squares of buttered toast. Another way is to drain the oysters, heat an iron frying pan hissing hot, toss in the oysters and shake and stir till they boil; then add salt, pepper, and, for twenty-five oysters, a piece of butter the size of a walnut. Serve on toast. These retain the oyster's natural flavor.  
Broiled oysters are fully as good as fried—if not better. Drain and wipe the oysters, roll in cracker crumbs, lay on a well-greased wire broiler and cook three or four minutes, turning twice. All oyster dishes should be served very hot.  
An oyster pie that is popular with those who have tried it is made by putting one quart of oysters, with the strained oyster liquor, one cup of milk, one tablespoonful of butter and one-half a teaspoonful each of salt and white pepper, into a shallow pudding dish. Cover with a baking powder biscuit crust, rolled thin, and bake till the crust is done. Invert on a large plate; this will bring the oysters on top.—Selected.

**Counting the Cost.**  
How many women take the trouble to make a regular careful calculation to discover exactly how fast they may go in their daily expenditure without exceeding their household allowance? How many, recognizing the limitations of their income, contentedly forego even the thought of all unattainable luxuries, and refrain from making envious comparisons of their lot with that of a more fortunate neighbor? How many make and observe fixed rules as regards certain household obligations of the most peremptory nature, such as the preparation of certain meals, the assigning of certain rooms, cupboards and shelves to certain purposes and no others, the performance of certain tasks at stated hours or seasons? How many—or rather, how few—succeed in directing their household affairs, that an hour or even half an hour, in the middle of the day can be reserved for the needed rest or recreation.

**Preserving Eggs.**  
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