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NEWS NOTES HERE AND THERE

Condensed Items of Interest from County, State and Our Exchanges.

December was one of the coldest in the history of the Maryland weather bureau, covering a period of 39 years.

A copy of "Dreaming of Home Sweet Home," words and music by Amos E. Cramer, of Frederick, has been received at this office. The air is quite pretty and will no doubt become popular.

It is said that Chairman Hanna, of the State Republican Committee, will spend considerable time in Annapolis, this winter, watching legislation—especially election bills.

One of the W. M. R. R.'s big "600" engines was thrown from the track, and on its side in Rock Creek, near Gettysburg, last Thursday, due to running into the rear end of a freight train. The caboose of the train ahead was smashed to splinters and the car ahead turned on head. The wreck was due to the engineer being unable to stop before he struck the freight, the grade being too steep.

With only members of Congress to elect, this year, politics in Maryland will be in the "off year" class. Congressman Talbot is practically sure of the nomination in this district, while the Republican nomination is not likely to cause much contention. The same quiet condition is likely to prevail in all the districts, except perhaps the sixth, which can usually be depended on for a lively contest in the Republican camp.

The Chicago Federation of Labor has adopted resolutions calling upon the National Pure Food Commission to investigate if peanut shells constitute the basic element in the manufacture of breakfast foods. "In a recent freight train wreck it was discovered that several cars consigned to breakfast food concerns were loaded with peanut shells from the peanut butter factories in the South," said President John Fitzpatrick.

The annual statement of the Carroll County Mutual Fire Insurance Company shows losses for the year of \$9517.64, and assets of \$49,800.00, with outstanding insurance amounting to \$4,538,685. The company announces that gasoline shall not be used for any purpose with out the consent of the company; and that no property insured shall remain vacant for over ten days, without the consent of the company, and the payment of a permission fee.

The sum of \$67,500 was the price paid Wednesday afternoon for the Baltimore World, an afternoon newspaper, sold at auction at the Real Estate Exchange. The nominal purchaser was Wilhelm I. Altemann, who was with James B. Guyton, the lawyer. Mr. Guyton said after the sale that he could not divulge the name of the real purchaser. It was reported that Charles H. Grasty, formerly managing owner of The News was the purchaser of the property. Mr. Grasty, who is staying at the Belvedere, said he could not discuss the matter.

Mrs. Jacob Fox, who died suddenly at her home, Clay Hill, near Hagerstown, on Dec. 26, was buried last Sunday in the cemetery adjoining Price's church, services being conducted by Revs. William Koontz and W. A. Anthony. The reason Mrs. Fox remained so long unburied was because of the difficulty of getting information of her death to her son, Prof. Barry Fox, of the Maryland Collegiate Institute, of Union Bridge, who was spending the Christmas holidays with friends six miles from Cordovia, Talbot county, Md., where he was snowbound.

The severest cold spell in the history of Montana has prevailed for seven weeks. For more than a week the thermometer has registered from 3 to 20 degrees below zero in Butte, and on Sunday night it registered 24 below. At Anaconda and 30 below a mile south of Butte. For a week snow has been falling almost continuously and all railroad traffic is greatly impeded. No trains have run over the Oregon Short Line into Butte since Saturday, and the coal supply is low. Already there is much suffering among the families of the miners locked out as a result of the strike of railroad switchmen.

Mrs. Annie P. Nelson, wife of Robert A. Nelson, proprietor of Nelson's Hotel, at Ridgeville, Frederick county, died on Sunday after a prolonged illness, aged 67 years. Mrs. Nelson was widely known among traveling men, bicyclists and automobilists. The hotel at Ridgeville, of which her husband has been proprietor for 31 years, is one of the best known of its kind in Maryland, and its success was attributed by her husband in a large measure to her excellent management. During the height of the bicycle craze the hotel was a popular rendezvous for Baltimore wheelmen.

The body of John M. Barnes, of Gamber, was found Tuesday morning, about one mile from that place, and 40 yards from the road leading to Finksburg, where it is supposed to have been lying since Dec. 23, the day he left his home. He was of a rather roving disposition, and when he did not return home within a day or two, his family supposed he had gone to visit one of his brothers, but it was learned later that he had not done so, and a posse of 50 men started out to search. He was found beside a log on which he had probably sat down to rest and was overcome by the cold and perished. A coroner's jury, summoned by Justice Hill, upon the testimony of Dr. R. F. Wells, rendered a verdict that he had died from exposure. His body was frozen.

Road Building for Carroll County.

The Merchants Association, of Westminster, has taken action relative to the road building law of 1908, which seems to us proper and right, but which, likely has but little chance of being favorably acted on. As we have repeatedly stated, we think it decidedly to the best interests of all concerned, and the progress of road building in particular, that each county be permitted to spend its own allotment, perhaps under general specifications fixed by the State Commission. The Westminster Association adopted the following resolutions on the subject:

WHEREAS, The amount of money Carroll County will receive from "The State Roads Loan" (Act 1908, ch. 141) is apparently uncertain, and the manner and time when it will be expended, is indefinite; and

WHEREAS, It is believed that such sum of money as this County is entitled to receive, or have spent on its account, can be and would be, more economically and advantageously expended by our County Commissioners, who are familiar with local conditions, and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this meeting, that it is the duty of the County Commissioners of Carroll County to take all steps looking toward the expenditure of the money which will tend to the progress of road-building and the preservation of the County's interests;

Therefore be it resolved, and we do hereby recommend:

1. That the County Commissioners of Carroll County should investigate and have at once decided by the State Roads Commission the amount of money Carroll County is entitled to receive for the improvements of its roads from the State Roads Loan, and the amount thereof now available for road construction.

2. That the County Commissioners of Carroll County should at once discover, whether the State Roads Commission will allow them to expend their share of this loan, as it has Caroline County, and if it will not, to have passed by the present Legislature a law compelling it to.

3. That a mass meeting of the citizens of the County interested in public affairs and good roads be called by this Association for some future day, to be named by our President, to consider this matter and such other affairs of local interest brought before them.

4. That the County Commissioners, our Senators and members of the House of Delegates, be specially invited to be present at such meeting to consult and advise with the people upon the subject.

Why not a Public Library.

We notice, from the reading of our exchanges, that a number of small towns in Maryland, some not as large as Taneytown, have established a Public Library. We do not know a great deal about how such enterprises are managed and maintained, but we are of the opinion that a public library must be a good thing, and that it would not be a difficult undertaking to start one in Taneytown, and to make it a success.

Of course, the nucleus of a library of this kind must be free donations of books, and cash. The probability is that both would be liberally forthcoming, in Taneytown, but the most difficult part of the matter would be to find a suitable room and attendant. If there is any disposition in the town to work out the problem, the RECORD stands ready to give it assistance. Emmitsburg and Hampstead have recently established libraries, and Taneytown can do so, if it wants to.

We do not propose to boom the library suggestion, nor to actively head it, as we are already heavily taxed with work; but we will be an active private in the ranks, if somebody wants to Captain and manage the enterprise.

Court Notices and Legal Advertising.

Every once in a while it seems necessary to call attention to the fact that all newspapers published in the county, can legally advertise court notices, and legal notices of all kinds connected with the settling of estates. The impression has some currency, and it has in the past been encouraged, that only papers published in Westminster, can legally publish such notices. We have no recent complaint on hand, but again mention the above facts, in justice to the RECORD and other out of Westminster newspapers.

When having business with either of the Courts, which requires advertising, administrators, executors or trustees, need only to state that they desire the RECORD office to do the work, and it must be sent to us. The question may, or may not, be asked by the Court officials; therefore, it will be best for all concerned to keep this information in mind.

The postoffice of Westminster, was transferred to new quarters last Saturday, in a building erected by Joseph E. The building was erected with solid concrete walls, a cement block front, the first of its kind in the city. It is three stories high and its dimensions are 100 by 25 feet. The postoffice occupies the first floor, and is furnished with modern conveniences. It stands on the corner of a wide alley—macadamized—on which there is a side entrance for the reception of mail. A large vestibule in front is handsomely tiled and gives access to the lock boxes, stamp window, money order, registering department and general delivery windows.

The Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association, of Westminster, is trying to arouse interest in the revival of a county fair, for Carroll county, and a meeting will soon be called to give the question full consideration. The same Association is also reviving the Lincoln Memorial road proposition.

MARRIED.

FROCK—FOSBENER.—On Dec. 25th., 1909, Mr. Reuben M. Frock, of York, and Miss Annie Fosbener, of New Freedom, Pa.

STAUB—GRAHAM.—On Jan. 4th., 1910, by Rev. L. F. Murray, at the parsonage, Uniontown, Md., Mr. George K. Staub, and Mrs. Sophia Graham.

Church Notices.

There will be preaching services in the Taneytown U. B. Church, Sunday morning, at 10 o'clock, at Harney in the evening at 7 o'clock. C. W. CHRISTMAN, Pastor.

THE SPLIT LOG DRAG.

Valuable Points Brought Out at a Meeting of Pennsylvania R. R. Agents.

At a recent P. R. R. agents meeting (Williamsport and Susquehanna Division) at Williamsport, Pa., a number of addresses were made description of, and in support of the use of, the split log drag, on country dirt roads. It was explained that all Railroad agents are interested in good roads for the reason that they expedite the hauling of freight, consequently benefit the car service, and increase the radius of territory tributary to each station.

It was brought out in discussion that these split log drags should be from 10 to 11 inches in diameter, and from 7 to 8 feet long, set at an angle of 45 degrees and that the cost per mile, for a whole year, should not exceed \$7.00 to \$10.00, and that \$3.50 will make a good drag, including the chain, blade in front, clevis and everything.

Mr. Milnor, who has been active in the good roads work of Lycoming county, made an extended address, in which he sketched the history of a road for a year, using the drag, as follows:

When the frost begins to come out, and the road is muddy (but not yet deep), the road is dragged. The drag pushes the loose earth alongside of the road, and the mud from the wagon tracks, toward the center. The drag acts like a plane, only that, in addition to shaving off high places, it fills the low places with the shavings. During this first Spring, a large amount of earth is moved toward the center of the road with each dragging, because the earth is all loose and soft, due to lack of surface drainage.

After two or three draggings, a few days apart, we notice that the road is drying up faster than it did after the break-up in former years. We notice, too, that there are not so many stones on the surface. The drag has a way of pushing them under, or dropping them into holes and ruts, and covering them. About the middle of April, after a few days of sun and wind, the team drag two tons to market, the automobile is seen on the road, and the buggy comes home without a speck of mud.

Now comes several days' rain. The surface softens; traffic cuts ruts and it looks as though the roads would be bad for a long time. But after the rain has ceased and the consistency of the mud is just right, the road is dragged. After the drag has done its work, we notice that the road is smooth, a little more crowned, and that a wagon passes over without sinking more than tire deep. After each wet spell that is of sufficient duration to soften the surface so that traffic makes ruts, the road is dragged, and, by the middle of June, (the ordinary time under the old system for working out the taxes), the road is smooth, hard and already becoming well crowned.

From the middle of June until Fall, the greater part of the water fall will be in the form of showers. This water will rapidly run from the center to the sides of the road. It comes with a dash, and is off the road before it has time to soften its now firm surface. The sun comes out and in a short time the road is dry, and is even better than before the rain.

If there should be a wet spell in July and one in August of sufficient duration to soften the road so that it may be dragged it will be better for it, otherwise traffic will wear dry wheel tracks. These will disappear after the next dragging.

By September the road is a boulevard; oval, smooth and hard. The fall rains soften it, but it is a smeary road rather than a muddy road. It dries quickly after each rain. And there are no mud holes. When freezing and thawing weather comes, the road does not get bad, for there is little water in the road or on the road, and dry earth stands freezing and thawing without much disturbance.

Should the road become softened once or twice or more times just before the final freezing up, it must be dragged each time. During the winter we find the best winter roads we ever had. When there is snow we have the best sleighing we have ever had and when there is no snow we have the best wagoning we have ever had under summer conditions.

There has been no time since the mud dried up in the Spring, when the team could not haul two tons to market, and at times when the driving horse could not make good time. But the greatest advantage of it is yet to be seen. When the Spring break-up comes, the water draws out of the road instead of into it, as heretofore.

Since there was not much water in the road bed when it froze up, there cannot be much "breaking-up." Freezing and thawing is a mechanical process that will tear anything asunder, if water is present. Water frozen in a road bed, by its expansion, pushes the particles of earth apart, and the thawing finds loose earth and water, which means mud, or mire, according to the depth.

Since we kept the water off from the road in the Fall, there is but little frozen in it now, except near the surface, and the break-up will be no deeper than the excessive moisture extended when the freeze-up occurred.

Instead of sixty days of intolerable roads, of which thirty were impassable, we will now have no day on which the team cannot get to market with profit.

The drag will not have been long in use in this section until it will be discovered that there are pieces of road, here and there, where it does not seem to work; on examining these, it will be seen that they are the same places where the big drag passed by with its blade in the air. Of course the drag will make no impression here. But there is a remedy, and once it is applied, this piece of road, despised alike by the big grader and by the shovel men, will become the best stretch of road in the township.

The only machine that will work here is the pick. If this fails we must use dynamite. At any rate, there must be drainage, the water must run out of the road instead of into it. Once it is shaped up properly the Drag will keep it so."

The Maryland Press Association.

The Maryland Press Association, a non-partisan organization, representing the county press of the state, was formed, in Baltimore, on Wednesday. Over sixty county papers were represented, either personally or by letter. The general sentiment was that there is great need for such an association, especially as nearly every other important business in the state is already organized, a proposition generally approved by the county press, while the press itself is not, except in associations having partisan objects as their main consideration.

After a brief statement of the object of the meeting by William S. Powell, Editor of the *Ellicott City Times*, the following permanent organization was effected: President, Wm. S. Powell, *Ellicott City Times*; 1st. Vice-President, C. O. Melvin, of *Pocomoke City Ledger Enterprise*; 2nd. Vice-President, Sterling Galt, of the *Emmitsburg Chronicle*; Secretary-Treasurer, W. S. McCombs, of the *Harve de Grace Republican*; who, with the following constitute the Executive Committee: George R. Ash, *Cecil Democrat*; Elkton; Joseph M. Streett, *Harford Democrat*; Bel Air; P. B. Englar, *Carroll Record*, Taneytown; W. W. Burton, *Progress*, Ellicott City.

A constitution was adopted, setting forth the general objects of the association, after which, the meeting discussed numerous propositions of interest to the craft, and adjourned to meet on Tuesday, Feb. 15, for the purpose of adopting further regulations, and to more definitely outline the general scope of the Association.

After adjournment, under the leadership of President Powell, a delegation visited the Poultry show at the Armory building, inspected the remarkably large display of fowls there, and incidentally took lessons in "crowing." An important item for settlement at the next meeting will be the answer to President Powell's query—"If a hen is worth \$10.00, what would be the price of a spoonful of soup, providing said hen was disposed of as an 'in the soup' proposition?" Editor Galt, of the *Emmitsburg Chronicle*, will present a paper, having the cost figured out, even down to the value of a snell of the spoon.

After the next meeting, regular semi-annual meetings will be held in January and June of each year, and special meetings at the call of the Executive Committee.

Robert R. Arthur, proprietor of the Waynesboro sanitary milk plant, and Miss Ethel L. Hoover, daughter of M. F. Hoover, were united in marriage at the Presbyterian manse, at 12 o'clock, Dec. 28, by Rev. George Fulton, assisted by Rev. C. H. Rockey, pastor of the Lutheran church. There were no attendants.

The bride is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hoover, residing just west of town. She has been engaged as a school teacher for several years in Annapolis and Washington townships. She is a graduate of the Shippensburg normal school, a young woman of a high order of intelligence and culture, and rich in the esteem of all who know her.

Mr. Arthur is, as told, the proprietor of the Waynesboro sanitary milk plant on Philadelphia avenue, which he established here a little more than a year ago. He is a son of Robert Arthur, of York. He came to this section seven years ago, from Linwood, Md. For eighteen months he was manager of C. L. Walter's Crystal Spring dairy. For the past five and a half years he has been in business for himself.

He is one of the most highly esteemed young business men of Waynesboro. He has given to the dairy business and to his sanitary milk plant very careful study, until he is a master of them. He has built up a very large trade and held it by reason of his agreeable personality and his honorable business methods.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur will, on their return, board for a while but will, later, go to housekeeping.—*Waynesboro Record*.

Due to Anti-Saloon Work.

Captain Ward, of the Baltimore police force, was dismissed, last Saturday, following an investigation of charges against him. Superintendent Anderson, of the Anti-Saloon League, claims the credit for first uncovering the evidence which led to his dismissal. He said in an address last Sunday:

"Many of our friends were much concerned when we began our exposures in connection with liquor selling in local disorderly houses. They felt that we were making unguarded statements, but on purpose, for we felt that by that way we could then draw out the officials of the local Police Department and make them tell some unsavory things. They rushed into the trap and before they realized themselves confessed that there were 92 respectable houses in Baltimore which were selling liquor and which they knew of. Then we took that report, turned it inside out, and showed that there were 280 such houses of which the police knew."

"We proved that the high license law was not being enforced and, in fact, that the dismissed police official was not enforcing any liquor laws. By this and in other ways we have saved the people of the city and State lots of time in connection with their fight to wipe out the liquor traffic. We are going down to the Legislature with more than a fair chance to win this year, and we will positively win if the Christian people do their duty."

A New Year's Card.

Now what is here? A word of cheer To herald in another year: May all its days be free of blame— A little nobler than your aim; May all its labors be content; A little better than your best, And all the joys within its scope A little brighter than your hope; And may each year be found, when past, A little dearer than the last. —*Arthur Guiterman in Woman's Home Companion for January.*

THE LEGISLATURE MEETS

Then Adjourns until Monday night, when Committee will be Appointed.

The General Assembly of Maryland met at noon, on Wednesday, and, after going through the formality of organizing the two houses and receiving the message of Governor Crothers, adjourned, to reassemble next Monday night. It is thought that the committees will be announced at that time.

The program as arranged by the Democratic managers was carried out, and the presiding officers and desk officers were chosen in accordance with the action of the party caucus Tuesday night.

President Gorman of the Senate and Speaker Peebles of the House both urged economy in their opening addresses, but no practical step in this direction was taken.

Governor Crothers, in his message, made the following recommendations: A strict fulfillment of the Democratic campaign pledges.

Submission of a new franchise amendment to exclude the negro voters.

Creation of a public utilities commission.

State care of the insane.

State income tax instead of indorsing Federal income tax.

New automobile law.

No more continuing appropriations.

Economy in Legislative expenditures.

Provision for convict labor in roads building.

Increased representation for Baltimore city.

Compulsory direct primaries for both parties.

Amending of Senatorial primary law so as to lessen the burden on candidates.

A pure food law.

Strengthening of the corrupt practices act.

Amending the Haman oyster law.

Laws for uniform warehouse receipts, sales, transfers of stock and divorces.

A general reassessment outside of Baltimore city.

Just what will come out of the session, of course, remains to be seen. Governor Crothers is an intense partisan, yet appears to favor a number of measures with which party leaders will disagree. It also remains to be seen what influence Senator Smith and Congressman Talbot, especially, will have with the body. The *Baltimore News* (Ind.) says, pessimistically:

"Theoretically, Maryland is a democracy. Actually it is an oligarchy, tempered by public opinion. Theoretically, these 27 Senators and 101 delegates are men of ability and patriotism who go to Annapolis to consider and discuss the laws that will best subserve the interests of the State, and to enact those which the consensus of opinion declares the best. Actually they are, generally speaking, members of a political machine, or machines, who will vote, again speaking generally, as their leaders or bosses tell them."

The Governor, in his message, treats the road question at considerable length, and says a number of things with which many will disagree, especially his indorsement of the plan of employing convict labor, and the continuance of the sole control of construction work by the State Commission.

His advocacy of a general reassessment of property for the counties, but not for Baltimore city, will also meet with criticism, and we believe justly so, for unless it can be demonstrated to the contrary, such a plan looks like assessing farm and other country property at full present value, and letting city property escape the same treatment.

A rather amusing story is told of a man who went into a hardware store in a neighboring town and wished to purchase an ax, says an Ohio paper. Being shown the article and informed that the price was \$1.15, he said, "Why, I can get that same kind of an ax from a mail order house for 90 cents." "Very well," said the hardware man; "I will give it to you for the same price provided you will do the same with me as you do with it."

"All right," replied the customer as he handed over a dollar bill, the merchant giving him back 10 cents in change. "Now," said the hardware man, "I want 25 cents more to pay express charges," which the purchaser gave him. "How much did your ax cost you?" "One dollar and fifteen cents," the man answered. "Very good. Now give me 5 cents more for money order fees and postage," which the purchaser had to hand over. "Now, how much did your ax cost you?" "One dollar and twenty cents," said the customer.

"Not so cheap, after all," said the merchant, whereupon he picked up the ax, tossed it back on the shelf and told the customer to call for it in ten days, as that would be as soon as he could get it if he had ordered it from the mail order house.

Orphans' Court Proceedings.

MONDAY, Jan. 3rd., 1910.—John A. P. Garver, Daniel W. Garver and Jeremiah J. Garver, executors of William H. Garver, deceased, returned inventory of debts, report of sale of personal property and report of sale of real estate which was immediately ratified in accordance with an agreement of all heirs interested therein.

Christmas at the County Home.

TO ALL WHO HELPED.

"The very best Christmas we ever had." That was the comment of each one of the inmates, as they passed from the room on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 29, at the close of the very enjoyable festival which had been arranged for them. And it was, in many ways, "the best," because, although the weather was so unfavorable, the roads in some places almost impassable, a number of ladies and gentlemen braved the cold and the wind, and were promptly on time, to give pleasure and share the joys of the Christmas season, with those of our citizens, whom poverty and misfortune had placed there as wards of the county. The Steward and Stewardess, Mr. and Mrs. Humbert, always ready and glad to lend assistance, had turned the large dining-room into a most attractive place, with wreaths and garlands of evergreen, flags and red Christmas bells.

The Christmas gifts, which had been carefully selected, with a view to gratifying, as near as possible, the wishes and needs of the inmates, were grouped around a prettily decorated Christmas tree, on one side of the room, the inmates occupying seats on the opposite side. The County Commissioners with their wives had all expected to be present, but on account of the snow drifts and closed roads, Mr. Brown and his two daughters were the only ones present. A number of the inmates were unable to leave their rooms, and so failed to hear the delightful music of the Westminster orchestra, who were present in full force, under the leadership of Prof. Bayley Morelock. This was an unexpected treat to the inmates, and was appreciated and enjoyed to the fullest extent.

The program consisted of music by the orchestra; prayer by Rev. P. H. Miller, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church; an address by Rev. Calvin S. Slagle, pastor of St. Paul's Reformed church; recitation of a poem, written by Miss Mary B. Shellman, and an address by Mrs. S. K. Herr, which was preceded by Master Geary Stonesifer, who sang sweetly, "The old, old story of Jesus and His Love." As the strains of the orchestra died away after the addresses, the merry shout of Santa Klaus was heard, and that genial old gentleman, impersonated by Mr. George Jackson, bounded into the room, with his basket full of good things and a bundle of pretty toys for the baby Charlotte, the two year old child of one of the inmates, and who distributed with a kind word to each of the gifts which had been provided for them. To Mr. and Mrs. Humbert were presented a vase of carnations as a token of affectionate regard from the inmates.

Santa Klaus was very much up-to-date and sang to their great delight, and with as much spirit as he sang in "The Little Tycoon," to a more fashionable audience, "I've rings on my fingers and bells on my toes," and he can congratulate himself on having given unbounded pleasure.

Every one was happy, and life seemed brighter, at least for one day. And for all this pleasure, I want to thank all who so generously responded to my request for help. From all parts of the county it came; from our young townsman, Charlie Vanderford and his cousin, Kenneth Mills in far away Mexico; from Jno. Snowden and wife, worthy colored citizens, formerly of Westminster, now of Massachusetts; from the Christian Endeavor Societies of the Lutheran and Presbyterian churches, of Taneytown; from the teachers and pupils of Warfieldburg and Medford public schools, and from many friends whom I could not thank by note or in person, but whose contributions came anonymously, and with kind words of encouragement, which makes me feel proud and grateful for the confidence placed in me by my fellow citizens of our much loved generous Carroll County.

To all who aided in making an attractive program, return sincere thanks in the name of the inmates, who not only enjoyed the beautiful music of the orchestra, but appreciated the giving of their time, by busy men, and making them feel they are not altogether friendless.

"Inasmuch as Ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, Ye have done it unto me."

Yours, "In His Name," MARY BOSTWICK SHELLMAN.

Inquiring Into High Cost of Food.

Washington, Jan. 3.—"We have already discovered that the farmer is not getting the exorbitant profits out of the beef he raises," said Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, in discussing the high prices of food supplies today. "I have no doubt in the world," he continued, "that the same conditions will be found to prevail in most of the other lines of farm products. The Department of Agriculture has agents in every state and every county in the country, and they have been ordered to report exhaustively on the cost of production and the returns on sales of all sorts of food products. As fast as we receive these figures we will compare them with the prices the same products bring in the cities where they are consumed. We will then give the facts to the public."

"We intend to bring out the truth, irrespective of whom it hurts or whom it benefits. I am convinced that the public is compelled to pay a great deal more for nearly everything it eats than it should, and I believe the figures will bear me out."

The Middletown Register says: "A bogus book agent claiming to be selling Stoddard's Lectures as low as \$9 in cloth, and \$14 in morocco, if paid for cash in advance, swindled seven school teachers at Frederick. Two paid him all cash and the others one-third cash. Teachers everywhere should be on the lookout for anything until he delivers the goods." To which, we add: This does not speak well for the intelligence of seven Frederick county school teachers.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 8th., 1910.

All articles on this page are either
original, or properly credited. This has al-
ways been a fixed rule with this office, and we
suggest the adoption of it by our exchanges.

THE SHAKING up which the Baltimore
police system is now getting, leaves a
very rank odor, but it will likely have a
good effect—for a while. Evidently,
Philadelphia and New York are not the
only cities which sell indulgences to law
breakers; but, the queer thing about the
Baltimore situation, is, that the police
captains alone, and not the political
bosses nor the Police Commissioners,
seem to have engaged in the nasty work.
May the guilty ones be properly punished.

CONGRESS is now getting busy, and
before long the chips will begin to fly,
and perhaps a little fur. Along with
the big things, there are a few small af-
fairs to be settled between individuals,
about which, however, the country is
not "worrying very much. The "wild
west" may applaud some of her sons in
their "hot in the collar" oratory, but
Uncle Sam will pursue his even course
with not more than a smile of amuse-
ment, thinking that "boys will be boys,"
and must occasionally have their fling.
At the wind-up, the West is likely to
stay in the Union.

Public Printing Cost.

The Governor has expressed himself
as being in favor of reducing the cost of
election advertising and printing, and
along the same line will likely favor a
reduction in the publication cost of public
general laws, following the close of the
forthcoming legislative session. As a
result, party newspapers, which wrong-
fully monopolize the whole of this class
of printing, are getting ready to raise a
big kick, and, if possible, defeat the
Governor's announced desires.

We have heretofore stated our own
position on this question, which at this
time will bear repeating, and we do so
without any special animus, except
against the custom itself. The whole
truth of the matter is right here. Party
newspapers have full and complete right
to get all they can out of their party
campaign committees and candidates,
and are entitled to the greatest possible
support from members of their party
who make a business of, or are greatly
interested in, politics; but further than
this, they have no just claims on public
patronage, above the non-partisan news-
papers.

Election law advertising, as well as
the publication of public general, and
public local laws, is paid out of either
the state, or county, treasury, with the
money paid into these treasuries, in the
shape of taxes, by all classes of people.
Many of these people are non-partisan,
and many have political proclivities but
are not strong party men, and thousands
of them subscribe for the non-partisan
papers and not for the party papers.

It is a very simple case in justice and
equity, therefore, that the party papers
have no right to monopolize these classes
of public printing, save for the existence
of an unfair custom, and in some cases
because of unfair laws which have been
enacted through the influence of the
party papers themselves, to the financial
injury of the non-partisan papers and to
the disadvantage of the tax payers who
subscribe only for the latter, yet whose
money is used to support the former.

We ask only for a square deal, both
for ourselves and for our patrons. If
the state treasury, or county treasury, is
to spend the tax money of the general
public for the dissemination of matters
in which the general public is interested,
we want our proportionate share of it.
We do not mean to keep silent and have
public money so used as to make it
difficult for us to conduct a legitimate
publishing business, along non-partisan
lines, and easy for our partisan competi-
tors, in the same line, to conduct their
business.

It is largely immaterial to the RECORD
whether the legislature decreases print-
ing expenditures, or not. To be fully
truthful, we believe they should be de-
creased; we also believe that the state is
paying "graft" charges for most of its
advertising, and that it should have, but
does not have, its work done on the
same basis charged private individuals
for the same class of work. The thing
material to us, is, that the RECORD em-

phatically objects to unfair discrimination
in the whole matter, and insists on
recognition and a share, when money is
being spent out of any public treasury
for the purposes here referred to.

Let the Public Speak Out.

We again urge all, and especially
Farmers' organizations, who represent
widespread public sentiment, to let their
views be known regarding possible leg-
islation, this winter, at Annapolis.
There are several questions of great
importance, on which the public ought
to be heard, and their wishes complied
with, among which we will mention—
Election laws.

The Local Option question.
Public road construction.

Appropriations to colleges and other
institutions.

The public school service and teach-
ers' salaries.

General reassessment of property.

These six questions are of vital im-
portance to nearly everybody, in one form or
another, and there are others of lesser
importance, among which may be
mentioned—

Economy in governmental affairs.
A new Banking bill.

Increased representation for Balti-
more.

Uniform game laws.
More pure food legislation.

Automobile regulation.

We have elected men to represent the
interests of the people and not to follow
their own inclinations, and until we
have reason to know the contrary, we
must believe that they will represent
their constituents; but, they cannot al-
ways do this without positive informa-
tion of what is wanted. We can rest
assured that there are always individ-
uals, and small interests, which make
their wants and wishes known, and un-
less there is positive evidence to the con-
trary, our representatives are apt to be
influenced by just such interests, which
may be antagonistic to the interests of
the people as a whole. We have all heard
of "gun shoe" politicians—those who
get in their work quietly—but we have
no right to complain of their accom-
plishments as long as we remain silent.

The RECORD will gladly devote con-
siderable space to its patrons who have
something to say on any of our state's
public questions; indeed, we invite con-
tributions of this kind, even though
they may not square with our own
views. The main thing is to get at
what the great majority wants, and to
get into concrete form that which we
term public sentiment.

Boastful Newspapers.

Always about this time of the year,
a class of newspapers boast of the
large amount of advertising they have
carried, and indulge in more or less
pointed comparisons with their contem-
poraries. This is all very well, but it
does not necessarily represent the great
popularity, or value, of such newspapers.
It is more apt to represent active sol-
iciting for advertising at reduced rates,
and profit-making at the expense of
news-giving, with all of which we have
no fault to find; that is the subscribers'
business.

Our idea of a newspaper is that it
should always be properly balanced,
between news matter and advertising;
at least to the extent of preserving an
average balance, with allowance for cer-
tain seasons of the year when the adver-
tising portion naturally exceeds its cus-
tomary bounds. The RECORD declined a
half page advertisement for Christmas
week, rather than crowd out reading
matter which we thought our subscribers
would appreciate, and, in a way, we lost
something to boast of.

While advertising is *news*, and is in
reality more appreciated by subscribers
than they will admit, it is equally true
that nobody would subscribe for a paper
which contained advertising alone, while
most people would gladly subscribe for
a paper which would contain very little,
or no advertising, and be full of solid
news and popular general reading.

We do not know how to state the matter
more plainly, and at the same time show
the relation that advertising actually
bears to the majority of subscribers.

It is very doubtful, therefore, whether
the boasts of newspapers carrying a
large amount of foreign mercantile ad-
vertising, are very pleasantly received
by their readers. They are more likely
to feel that they have been robbed, to
the extent of the increased advertising.

Will the Legislature Practice Economy?

It may seem somewhat unusual to
promise praise for the elected repre-
sentatives of the people of Maryland if
they will employ no more men to clean
out the State-house than are needed to
keep it clean, and no more doorkeepers
than are needed to attend doors, and no
more engrossing clerks than are needed
to engross bills, but it is not meant for
sarcasm; far from it. Hitherto it has
seemed beyond the power of the leaders
in the Legislature to observe the simplest
rules of decency in the matter of Leg-
islative expenditures. Extravagance has
been on a most scandalous scale. The
State-house has been the dumping
ground for political hangers-on from all
over the State. The State Treasury has
been used to pay the political debts for
dozens of fellows who had "pull"
enough to get their hands in it. In
Governor Warfield's last message he

pointed out that the State Senate had
employed 38 men to keep its side of the
State house clean, while the House re-
quired as many as 50. The Augean
stables might have been kept as imma-
culate as a parlor by fewer people.
As for door-keepers, the place was over-
run with them, and there were so many
engrossing clerks that it is difficult to
figure out how they could have found
room to write without using one an-
other's backs for tables.

Everybody knows why this was done.
Each member of the House and Senate
who "stood in" took this means of
giving some of his State's expense. The
last session under Governor Warfield
reached the limit of boldness and ex-
travagance. His message calling at-
tention to the wrong done the public
went without consideration for the
reason that the leaders did not propose
to let the Governor believe that he had
anything to do with instituting reforms.
Nevertheless, the scandals pointed out
by the Governor were so indefensible,
that they could not continue indefinitely,
and there seems a fair chance this year
of seeing something accomplished in the
way of eliminating graft.

Henry Watterson once said that
Roosevelt couldn't open a "jack-pot"
without prayer, and may be those who
will argue that for a political party to
promise to follow a program of simple
honesty and to quit a policy of extrava-
gance that is next door to stealing is not
an occasion for a jubilee; but persev-
erance in good work deserves commend-
ation, and if it can be had only by a sort
of pretense that it is a tremendous re-
form, for which great credit is due some-
body, let us have it that way. It is in-
finitely preferable to not having it at all.
—Balt. News.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is not a
common, every-day cough mixture. It
is a meritorious remedy for all the trou-
blesome and dangerous complications
resulting from cold in the head, throat,
chest or lungs. Sold by all dealers.

Whom Japan will Fight.

Those persons at home and abroad
who persist in believing that Japan and
the United States are foredoomed to
come to blows in the near or distant fu-
ture would do well to study recent de-
velopments on the Siberia-Manchurian
border. Russia's mobilization of a great
body of picked troops of all arms on
that boundary, which has been proceed-
ing without unnecessary noise for sev-
eral months, has elicited from Japan a
more or less pointed inquiry at St. Peters-
burg as to the purpose of the movement,
and the reply of Russia, that it was in-
tended merely to give the soldiers ex-
perience in maneuvers throughout the
empire, failed to satisfy the Mikado's
counselors. Believing that Russia's con-
centration of more than 40,000 men at
strategic points in and around Harbin
since September 1 has a sinister look, if
it is not a positive menace, Nippon is
pushing forward warlike preparations,
and may take the initiative herself,
seize the railways and the seaways
which would be indispensable to the
forces of the Bear, and checkmate the
Czar's strategists before they realize
what is afoot.

The Russo-Japanese War, disastrous
as it was to Russia, was not yet over
when the good offices of President Roose-
velt brought about the Treaty of Ports-
mouth. Close observers of affairs in the
Far East are agreed in the belief that
the result of that treaty, with its great
advantages for Japan and correspond-
ing disadvantages for Russia, was not a
permanent peace, based upon the set-
tlement of the issues involved; but an
armistice, accepted by Russia because
of her reverses and by Japan because
the specter of bankruptcy loomed large
in her path. That the interrupted con-
flict is to be renewed is the opinion of
many who are well informed on the
present trend of the age-long rivalry be-
tween the "Bear That Walks Like a
Man" and the little men of the Land
of the Rising Sun.—Balt. Star.

Rev. I. W. Williams Testifies

Rev. I. W. Williams, Huntington,
W. Va., writes us as follows: "This is
to certify that I used Foley's Kidney
Remedy for nervous exhaustion and
kidney trouble and am free to say that
Foley's Kidney Remedy will do all that
you claim for it." R. S. McKinney,
Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

Address Envelopes Carefully.

Etiquette and reason combine to make
positive rules as to addressing envelopes
that contain letters and notes. Accord-
ing to a recent report of the Post-office
Department, more than 13,000,000 pieces
of mail matter went astray last year,
most of which, if not all, was due to
careless addressing.

First and foremost, ink should always
be used in writing. It not only looks
better than pencil, but is more lasting,
because the latter may rub on other
paper and become so blurred that it is
undecipherable. Next in importance is
the address, and it must be clearly writ-
ten. Under no circumstances must
"freak" addresses be used. The name
comes first, and it should be written in
full, or at least with initials, in case the
street number may be wrong. Street
and number follows, the number being
the first on the second line. Because it
is the thing to put the street name before
the number in Germany is no reason for
following the custom here. This is a
different country, with different regula-

tions, and they should be observed. On
the line below is the city, and the State
under that. It is not enough to use the
name of the town, omitting that of the
State. Nothing should be left to the in-
telligence of the postman; not that these
men are dull, but they have no time to
speculate and decide what post-office is
intended.

There is a fad now in society for omit-
ting both city and State names when
formal notes are posted to be delivered
in the same place. Society's reason for
this is to give the impression that the
note was delivered by hand, always
smarter than through the post, but inas-
much as the stamp must be used, the
illusion cannot be carried out very suc-
cessfully.

Under no circumstances is it good form
to put the stamp anywhere but on the
upper right corner, and care must be
taken to do this exactly, not only be-
cause the envelope appears better, but
because stamps are cancelled by ma-
chinery designed to strike always in that
part of the envelope. If the stamp is
not there the machine must be stopped
and specially operated. Under postal
regulations twelve hours' delay in send-
ing may be the penalty for failure to ob-
serve the rule.

On important letters, and all parcels,
put the name of the sender, and the ad-
dress, in case they cannot be delivered.
The Post office Department requests that
this shall be done, for it saves a lost ar-
ticle from going to the Dead letter Of-
fice, as it can be returned to the sender
if occasion requires.

It is not good form to put the address
on the back of an envelope instead of
the front, a fad sometimes affected by
young girls. Nor should parcels be ad-
dressed on both sides, because only one
is stamped, and the names on both
oblige the postman to turn it from side
to side to find that on which are the
stamps. One side is sufficient.—Phila.
Bulletin.

A Wild Blizzard Raging
brings danger, suffering—often death—
to thousands, who take colds, coughs
and grippe—that terror of Winter and
Spring. Its danger signals are "stuffed
up," nostrils, lower part of nose sore,
chills and fever, pain in back of head,
and a throat-gripping cough. When
Grip attacks, as you value your life,
don't delay getting Dr. King's New Dis-
covery. "One bottle cured me," writes
A. L. Dunn, of Pine Valley, Miss.,
"after being 'laid up' three weeks with
Grip." For sore, lungs, Hemorrhages,
Coughs, Bronchitis, Asthma, its supreme.
50c, \$1.00. Guaranteed by R. S. Mc-
Kinney, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

The President's Program.

Republican insurgents in the House
and Senate are crowing because, as they
said, they had learned that President
Taft would not hesitate to throw over-
board even Speaker Cannon if that
course should seem necessary for the
success of the party in the election next
year. But in this the insurgents are go-
ing farther than the facts permit. They
assume that Taft must be himself an in-
surgent, whereas the truth is that, if he
turns upon Mr. Cannon, it will be at
the behest of the majority of the Repub-
licans of all persuasions and not at that
of a small coterie of insurgents.

In other words, the President has as-
sured the insurgents and all others, in-
cluding the best friends of the Speaker,
and he is prepared also to so assure the
Speaker, that he will see justice done.
The party pledged certain things of a
specific character at the Chicago conven-
tion, when Mr. Taft was nominated.
These things the President proposes to
see carried out. They include tangible
reforms in railroad and anti-trust legis-
lation, the postal savings bank, conser-
vation, ship subsidy and tariff revision
upon a certain defined basis.

Regarding the last item the President
has already declared that he will pro-
ceed further than he has, just as soon as
he is informed that it is necessary. As
to the other pledges, he believes the
time at hand for their redemption.
Therefore he will do what he can to re-
deem them and if any Republican stands
in the way he must expect to be run
over by the road roller.

If this process makes it necessary for
the President personally to inform the
Speaker that his period of usefulness to
the party in the office of Speaker of the
House is at an end the President will be
ready. And when he takes this step it
will have behind it all the force that
goes with the leadership of the party.

Mr. Taft has not concealed his pur-
pose. He speaks freely of it to all with
whom he comes into contact.

There must be railroad legislation.
A ship subsidy bill must be passed.
The anti-trust law must be amended.
The postal savings bank was pledged
under a separate promise, and there-
fore, it must be created without delay
and without waiting for the report of the
monetary commission.

Conservation legislation is urgently
needed to uphold the steps taken by
both Roosevelt and Taft and must be
passed.

This is the program, and it is the de-
termination of the President to force it
through or get the scalps of those who
frustrate his plans, although he does not
by any means state it so baldly.—Phila.
Press.

A Wretched Mistake.

to endure the itching, painful distress of
Piles. There's no need to. Listen: "I
suffered much from Piles," writes Will
A. Marsh, of Siler City, N. C., "till I
got a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and
was soon cured." Burns, Boils, Ulcers,
Fever Sores, Eczema, Cuts, Chapped
Hands, Chilblains, vanish before it. 25c
at R. S. McKinney's Drug Store, Taney-
town, Md.

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tinuous service and growth, confidently believing
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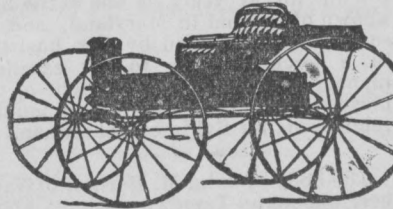
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MICE PRODUCE PLAGUES.

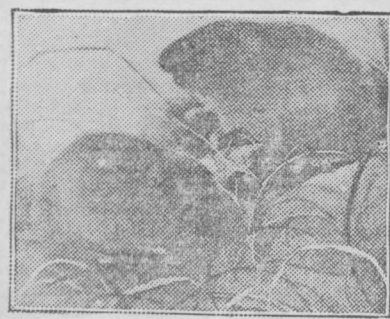
How to Stop Their Ravages of Crops and Orchards.

The annual damage caused by field mice to crops, nurseries and orchards in the United States has been estimated by the agricultural department at over \$3,000,000. There are fifty species of mice.

With few exceptions the short tailed field mice are readily distinguishable from other mice by their stout, chunky bodies, short legs, short, round tails, blunt muzzles, short ears and rather small eyes. The species shown in the cut are dark brownish or grayish brown in color and considerably larger and heavier than the common house mouse.

They live almost everywhere in damp meadows, where their presence may be detected among the grass and weeds by small, well defined, crooked trails, along which at intervals are little heaps of fresh grass or other herbage. In alfalfa or clover fields their numerous burrows are usually in colonies. As a rule, they appear first along ditches or about damp areas, where dead plants are almost certain evidence of their work.

In the past many methods of destroying field mice have been tried, yet the records describe no instance in which well established plagues have been successfully suppressed. Failing to recognize the early stage of the plague, the people in stricken districts did not usually adopt vigor-



CURSE OF THE MEADOW.

ous measures until after the fields were swarming with mice. The failure, then, has been due partly to lack of co-operation and partly to lack of knowledge of quick, cheap and effective measures. Without witnessing such a plague one can hardly form a conception of the almost incredible numbers of mice and of the magnitude of the task of destroying them.

Among methods of little value which have been tried in other countries to rid the land of these scourges are rolling the land with heavy cylinders, tramping it by cavalry or by droves of sheep, liberating large numbers of cats and injecting water, steam or suffocating gases into the mouse burrows. Many measures practicable on a small scale or of value in the early stages are entirely inadequate for the suppression of well established plagues, particularly where farms are as large as in the United States. Among such methods are digging trenches or pitfalls wider at the bottom than at the top, into which the mice fall; killing by means of traps, clubs or dogs, burning off the herbage in infested areas and flooding the fields. The elimination of these leaves as methods generally applicable for suppressing plagues only two, the employment of disease and poisoning.

Wrapping Fruit in Paper.

Any method of handling apples that hastens the ripening after the fruit is packed shortens the period of commercial value. Any treatment that checks the ripening prolongs the marketing period. The value of wrapping apples in paper has been tested in both seasons by the experiment station of the Iowa College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. The comparison was made with duplicate quantities of fruit that were grown and handled in the same way. One lot was not wrapped, and with the other each apple was wrapped in unprinted newspaper. With some varieties like the Gano, Roman Stem, Salome, Winesap and other hard, late ripening sorts the advantage of wrapping in paper was not very apparent. But with tender varieties like the Clemens, Jonathan and Wealthy a wrapper was a distinct advantage in extending the life of the fruit, preserving its natural brightness and lessening the amount of decay. A wrapper serves to reduce the bruising that may result from poor packing or from rough handling in transportation. It retards shriveling and adds to the value of the fruit by preserving its attractive appearance. The wrappers cost about 20 cents per thousand for newspaper 9 by 12 inches.

Luxurious Beehives.

A schoolmaster in a small German town, being very fond of bees, resolved to build for them something novel in the way of a home. As beehives are generally of the same size, color and shape, it is sometimes difficult for a bee to find his own particular home, so it came about that this kind hearted schoolmaster decided to give each of his hives some distinguishing mark, so the buildings represent an inn, castle, house, cottage, windmill, etc. There are also a number of animals, including an elephant, carved from wood, closely resembling their living brothers. The owner is naturally very proud of his creation and is constantly enlarging it.

EDUCATION FOR THE BOYS.

Why Sons of Small Farmers Develop Managerial Ability.

The education acquired on the small farm broadens citizenship because it is a many sided education and gives correct impressions of many phases of life. All over the world the small, independent farmers are staunch supporters of conservative government. They are intense lovers of home and opposed to radical changes.

Ultimately the small farmer learns to keep a reserve of cash against emergencies, and these aggregated accumulations become very important factors in the capital of the nation, for they are more reliable than deposits from commercial sources. The vast sums of money necessary to carry on the business of a nation are not derived from the deposits of capitalists, but from the aggregation of millions of thrifty small depositors. This is especially true in England, France, Germany and the United States.

It has been observed for years that the sons of small farmers develop managerial ability. From their earliest years they are compelled to do things and to act independently. It is from this source that the greatest number of managers of the various enterprises of our country have been drawn.

The great value of educating and training youth for agriculture is so universally conceded that it does not require discussion. The necessity of presenting and impressing better types of husbandry upon adult farmers through demonstrations under their care is rapidly being accepted by the American people as a most important means of education for the rural masses and necessary to any general and rapid advancement.

If all is considered education that "leads out," develops or trains the individual, then the amount of education acquired in even the best schools is only a fraction of what the average man must know to succeed in life. It is, then, of the highest importance to the state that this greater mass of knowledge should be correct, broad, conservative and elevating. Liberal provision has been made for schools by the state, by churches and by individual gifts, but the molding of this greater knowledge to the best interests of society has been mainly left to the caprice of individual effort. The state can with propriety specially foster such conditions of society, such lines of industry or such occupations as evidently tend to mental and physical vigor, to breadth of understanding, to the best citizenship and to the stability of the state. For these ends no more potent influence has been found than an intelligent, prosperous and contented body of thrifty small farmers.

Picking and Packing Apples.

The harvest of the apple is here and will continue for some weeks. Here are some suggestions that may assist the growers:

Pick into baskets. They should be about half bushel and round, with drop handles. The baskets should be smooth on the inside—that is, free from strips around the inside or bottom, lined with burlap to prevent bruising, and a short iron hook should be attached to the handle to suspend the basket from the limbs, so as to enable the picker to use both hands.

The great advantage in using the basket lies largely in the fact that if



HARVESTING THE APPLE CROP

the apples are carefully placed in the same they are not bruised.

Apples packed from the table and immediately placed in cold storage (if they are to be put into cold storage) will give by far the better results. This method adds two to four months to the keeping qualities of the fruit. You cannot afford to let your fruit lie under the trees or in a building for two or three weeks before you barrel.

Fruit grown in a warm latitude or harvested during a warm September or October must be quickly handled. But when properly handled at picking time there will not be much room for complaint. A good barrel is essential if you wish to store your fruit, have it keep well and sell. A tight barrel is the best, and the better it is made the better results you will have. There will be less loss from shrinkage of fruit, from rats and mice and other causes.

In hauling barreled apples to the car and in shipping lay the barrels on the side. Never stand them on end if you wish the fruit to remain tight in the barrels.

Keep Celery Growing.

Celery should be kept growing rapidly and without interruption. A check in growth will often make the plant go to seed instead of producing edible stalks.

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These Special Bargains will be placed in Front Show Window and marked

75 Per Cent off their Original Value.

Look them over! These values, at only 25c on the dollar, is the second Christmas treat to those who are looking for bargains.

This Sale will last until all Imperfect Goods are disposed of.

All other departments that have been broken in numbers and sold out, during the Christmas rush, are being immediately replaced for further business.

Wishing you all a Most Prosperous and Happy New Year.

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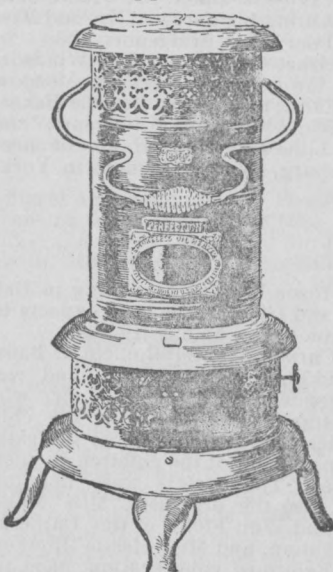
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Woman.

The whisper of a beautiful woman can be heard farther than the loudest call of duty.

It is woman's way. They always love color better than form, rhetoric better than logic, priestcraft better than philosophy and flourishes better than figures.

Nature makes fools; women make coxcombs.

Women are apt to see chiefly the defects of a man of talent and the merits of a fool.

Woman is more constant in hatred than in love.

Woman is an idol that man worships before he throws it down.

A beautiful woman is the paradise of the eyes, the hell of the soul and the purgatory of the purse.

The highest mark of esteem a woman can give a man is to ask his friendship, and the most signal proof

of her indifference is to offer him hers. A woman is seldom tenderer to a man than immediately after she has deceived him.

Friendships of women are the cushions wherein they stick their pins.—"Woman and the Wits."

Overfeeding Cattle.

It is argued by those who feed all the corn cattle will consume, swine following at the same time in the pastures, that the hogs will take care of all that is not digested. It is true that the swine will gather all the corn in the voidings, but it is also true that cattle when fed very heavily will consume and digest more food than can be assimilated by the system, so that neither the animal to which the grain is fed nor the swine will get the full benefit of the same.

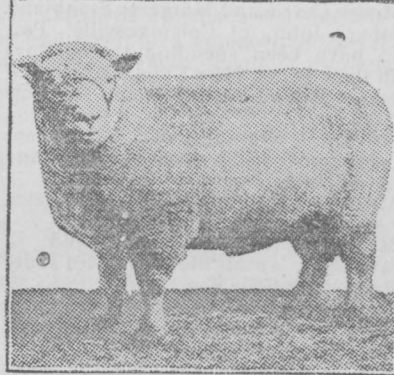
SELECTION OF THE RAM

Fashion and the judgment of our best breeders decree that the low down, blocky type ram, be that "heavier" than we thought, "the little big sheep," is the one which will be sought these days of neat, prime joints of mutton. We must look for breadth of loin, full brisket, deep body, masculine head and neck, strong legs, strong full twist, deep flesh, thickness through the heart and thick, level, well let down flanks, strong constitution and all these good things clothed in as fine, long and dense fleece as possible. If coarseness is on either side let it be the ewe rather than the ram. What we are looking for in our lambs are "chips of the old block."

The novice when selecting a ram of the Downs or other hornless breeds of sheep should be very careful not to select one with stubs—miniature horns—says a writer in Modern Sheep. Although rams having such defects are almost invariably robust and masculine in character and in many other ways desirable as flock leaders, still such rams are being of inferior breeding. Such animals are generally unfavorably noticed by show yard judges, and they should in every instance be disqualified.

Hollow backs, slack backs or backs with the "fatal" drop behind the shoulder are very serious defects in rams, and care should always be taken to avoid animals of this conformation, as, like so many other deformities, these are faults that both rams and ewes almost invariably transmit to their offspring.

Since the quality of the lamb is largely dominated by the quality of its sire it is important that the best ram possible head the flock, no matter whether it be a pure bred or a grade flock. Naturally there is such a thing as paying too much for a ram, but more often too little is paid. Of course it goes without saying that nothing but pure bred rams should be used



A CHAMPION SOUTHDOWN RAM.

even on grade flocks, and they should be typical of their breed and masculine to a degree. An effeminate ram should have no place in the breeding fold. A poor ram at the head of a flock means failure. The easiest way of making a profit out of a flock is by adding flesh and fleece to it through the sire.

It is not good policy to change the ram when he is doing good service, as changing rams is nothing more or less than experimenting, and good sires are not a common article. When buying a ram look to individuality. Keep an eye out for what you want before you really need it. Select early before the cream of the flock is gone, and don't delay until the breeding season comes around before you make your selection. Don't forget that there are culs in the pure bred flock as well as in the common grade flock. The best rams are not by any means always those that win the most show yard ribbons, but rather those that sire the best lambs. A ram with a pedigree may be a worthless sire, but the ram without a pedigree cannot be anything else. Always buy your rams of reputable breeders, even if their prices seem a little high. A good opportunity offers itself of purchasing what you need at the state fairs, where the types advocated by the different breeders may be studied side by side.

Don't use a mongrel ram on any account, for such is a profit killer; don't use a ram carrying the same defects in conformation that your ewe flock carries, and don't select the ram strong in particular points with a view to counteracting the weak points of your ewes. The only way to correct weaknesses in the ewe flock is by using a perfectly smooth ram.

Don't allow a few dollars to stand between you and a good ram. Don't sacrifice a good flock header because he is a little on the aged side. Don't cultivate the idea that you must use a yearling every year. A well tried aged ram is much better than an uncertain young stock ram. The ram that gives the best results is one of active yet thrifty temperament and one that has not undergone a show yard campaign. That fitting for the show yard unfits the ram for breeding purposes there is no doubt, and many a valuable animal has been entirely ruined by the process. A ram should be "sirey" about the head and muzzle. A wide, open nostril depicts breadth of skull and breadth all over. Of course his fleece and skin should be of the best. Then his carriage should be proud and important. The less daylight appearing under him the better—in other words, the shorter he stands on leg the better. A short leg usually means a strong bone and muscle and a rotundity of frame not found with a long, stilly leg. The best ram is invariably the cheapest in the end, as it is through his influence that quality is attained.

Just Before Milking.

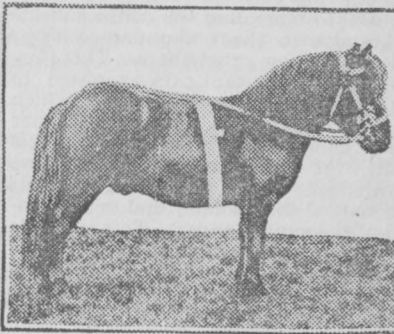
The cow's udder should be free! from all loose dust and dirt by wiping with a moist cloth before milking.

SHETLAND PONIES.

There Is Good Demand, and They Can Be Raised With Much Profit.

An authority thoroughly familiar with the Shetland pony and its history says there is an ever increasing demand in this country for them. The farmer could very well turn his attention to raising them and realize much profit therefrom.

Egypt was the original country for horses, but as they are now found in all parts of the world they differ greatly, each kind of horse being adapted to the climate and productions of the country he inhabits. The Shetland pony is just the animal required in Scotland, the Shetland islands (from which its name is derived) and Canada. Its diminutive size suits the scanty vegetation of these countries, which would not support large animals, but if they were as feeble as



SHETLAND PONY.

they are small they would be of little service. They, however, possess immense strength in proportion to their size and are so tough and healthy that they can live among the mountains through long winters and survive to a great age, even fifty or sixty years.

The pony of the Shetland Isles is, in fact, the offspring of circumstances. He is the pet of the family, gentle as an Arab's steed under similar training. He will follow his friends indoors like a dog and lick the platters or the children's faces. He has no more kick in him than a cat and no more bite than a puppy.

He is a noble example of the complete suppression of those vicious propensities that some equines exhibit when they are ill treated and of the intelligence and good temper that may be developed in horses by kindness. And so the "Sheltie" is an animal which for many generations has been bred and trained under special and peculiar circumstances, and hence his physique and general character, his hereditary instincts and intelligence, his small size and his purity and fixity of type.

It has been demonstrated that the Shetland is just as well adapted for America as elsewhere, and there are the best of reasons that the little fellow should be extensively bred in our fair land.

Horse Lore.

Be careful! how you turn out to grass in the autumn a horse that has been accustomed to a dry stable.

He is poorly prepared to stay out in the cold rain, much less to lie on the wet ground.

The exposure is too great and can only work harm. Lung troubles may follow.

Nothing improves the coat of a horse so much or so quickly as a little ground flaxseed mixed with his daily grain ration.

Never feed or water a tired horse until he has rested at least an hour.

Sponge out the mouth and nose with cool water and rub the legs and body well as soon as the stable is reached.

If water has been withheld for a long time, give only a few swallows at a time.

As heavy work slackens, slacken on the heavy feed. Thousands of horses are ruined every year by overfeeding while on light work.

It is never well to give animals impure or muddy water, but the horse is especially apt to be affected badly by that practice. In fact, horses will not drink such water if they can help it. Do your best to help it.

Shoe every horse as lightly as is possible for the labor he is to perform and thus avoid needless concussion and jar to feet and legs.

After removing a saddle apply plenty of cold water with a sponge. This closes the pores, and no injury or swelling will follow.

It is a good plan to girth a thick felt separately about the horse under a side-saddle.

This affords a surface for the saddle to move on and lessens the danger of chafing or bruising.

Be sure that your bridle and saddle fit and are properly put on.

Never use a narrow bit. Buy the largest and easiest one that you can find.

Beef and Butter Fat.

An expert says it costs just as much to produce a pound of beef as it does a pound of butter fat, and the beef brings to the producer only 6 cents a pound, while the fat is worth 30 cents and better to him. We are looking for the time when the dairy cow will displace the beef steer. The time is coming when the workman will pack a pound of cheese in his lunch pail the same as does the Britisher when he goes to work, and then beef will be the luxury of the rich, as it is all over Europe today. This evolution will provide labor for more people and will go largely toward solving the social status of the future in more ways than one.

The Dehorned Animal.

The dehorned animal is safer to handle and of a more peaceable disposition. The defenseless beast has no particular inclination to fight when powerless to do much harm.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Latest Items of Local News Furnished by Our Regular Staff of Writers.

All communications for this department must be signed by the author; not for publication, but as evidence that the items contributed are legitimate and correct. Items based on mere rumor, or such as are likely to give offense, are not wanted.

The Record office is connected with the C. & P. and United Telephone, from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m. Use telephone, at our expense, for important letters. For regular letters to be mailed on Wednesday evening, but in no case later than Thursday evening.

Frizzellburg.

In our first correspondence for 1910, it is well to remember the editor and his staff, and wish them abundant success and many new subscribers. They merit for the constant care exercised in getting before the people a paper which all can be proud of. The RECORD has many complimentary remarks to its credit, of which the editor has no knowledge. Out of respect we note this in behalf of the readers, and in recognition of the valued paper. This is ample evidence that the wants of the people are being met.

Since my last letter most of the ice houses here have been filled with 6-inch ice.

The public school resumed its studies, last Monday, in the primary room, but the attendance was not full on account of sickness. The principal did not get here for several days, being detained at home, sick.

J. M. Smith, of Hagerstown, was the guest of Miss Josephine Baust, during the holidays.

The la grippe is here and is on the hunt for victims. Many of our people are suffering with severe colds.

The old homestead of Mr. and Mrs. John Varelime was again cheered to a high pitch of enthusiasm when a masquerade party, comprising thirteen kringles, made their annual visit there, on Wednesday night, Dec. 29. The occupants had retired, and the occasion was a delightful surprise. Notwithstanding the unexpected, they were given, as usual, a cordial welcome. The family enjoyed their presence and for a brief time all played Santa Claus. Before partaking of refreshments, the natural face was exposed and a general good time was indulged in. Both sexes were included.

Harry L. Rinehart was in Baltimore, on Wednesday, in search of treatment for impaired eyesight. After complaining for several months there were signs of improvement, until quite recently when they declined.

Our town was very much enlivened, last Saturday night, by some masqueraders from the vicinity of Mayberry. Being equipped with musical instruments and skilled in dancing, they were not long in attracting a small audience. The visit resulted in a very sociable meeting.

Harry D. Black, wife, and daughter, of Wilmington, Del., called on friends here, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Lawver served a dinner at their home, here, last Sunday, in honor of C. Otto Myers and bride.

In accordance with the custom, the Grange gave a luncheon in the hall, on Tuesday night, but was only moderately attended. The Medford Grange was represented, and a very pleasant time was had.

William Warren and wife, of Baltimore, spent a few days, recently, with Mrs. W's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Myers.

The K. of P. Lodge had an election of officers, last Thursday night, and the attendance was unusually large. There is room for better attendance on an average, and it is hoped it will soon come to that.

Woodsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Kling and family, of Johnsville, visited friends here the past week.

Mrs. Heatwell, son and daughter, of Romney, Va., visited her daughter, Mrs. R. R. Shank.

Miss Amy Fahrner, of Frederick, visited Miss Mildred Miller, New Year's day.

Miss Ruth Stull, of Washington, D. C., spent a few days with W. H. Dorcas and sisters.

Misses Helen and Retta Lewis, of Jefferson, are spending some time with friends, here.

Miss Miriam Fogle spent a few days with Wm. Green and family, at Fountain Rock.

Mr. Jacob Feaser visited his parents, during the holidays.

Mrs. C. A. McAllister visited Charles Slagle and family, at Middleburg, during the holidays.

Miss Bessie Ogle visited friends in Frederick, New Year's day.

Mrs. Alice Troxell, of Frederick, visited friends here, the past week.

Maryland Collegiate Institute.

The students, with a few exceptions, returned on Monday the 3rd. Some found the public roads so badly blocked with snow that they had to go by horseback to the train. Messrs. Spicker and Clark, from the Eastern Shore, have recently enrolled.

We are sorry to announce to you the death of Mrs. Jacob Fox, of near Greencastle, Pa. She was the mother of Mr. B. T. Fox, who was a student here for several years, and is now teaching in the graded school of our town.

On Jan. 11, at 8:00 p. m., the third number of the lecture and entertainment will be given by Sarah Wathena Brown and The Chicago Boy Choir.

Mrs. Brown is a harpist of national fame. She will perform on an instrument made especially for her by Lyon & Healy, costing \$1500.00. The program by the Boys will consist of singing and playing the Marambophone, Bagpipe, and other instruments. They will give a number of national songs in appropriate costumes.

Elder C. D. Bonsack is spending several days at the college and at his home near by. On the 8th inst. he will go to Welsh Run, Pa., where he will conduct a series of evangelistic services.

The evening sermon in the Chapel, Sunday, Jan. 9th., will be delivered by Prof. W. I. T. Hoover.

Harney.

The Sunday school entertainment, given on last Saturday night at St. Paul's Lutheran church, was largely attended and all pronounce it the best ever given by the school. The children were all treated to candy and oranges, and many small gifts were exchanged between scholars and teachers. The four organists and the minister were all presented with sums of money.

On last Monday morning, Mr. Geo. Harner, and Misses Mary and Edna Harner, left for Harrisburg to visit their uncle, John T. Harner. The young folks will undoubtedly enjoy their trip, besides seeing many new sights. We are informed that Miss Edna will likely not return until some time next Spring.

On last Monday evening, quite a number of our people held a meeting to see if arrangements could not be made to form a stock cigar company. Mr. J. V. Eckenrode was elected president, and J. W. Reck, secretary, of the meeting. After the object was plainly stated, quite a number offered suggestions, after which it was decided that the capital stock should be made \$5000., and the shares sold at \$10.00 per share. This is a matter that should interest every property owner, not only of this place but the entire surrounding community, and outsiders who are desirous of making a good paying investment. Another meeting will be held this Saturday evening and it is hoped that all will come and hear the plans explained. We are certainly glad that this move has been made and earnestly hope that it may be a grand success.

On last Friday night, the following officers of the A. O. K. of the M. C. were elected: Chaplain, H. T. Shryock; S. K. C., Geo. M. Ott; V. C., Geo. C. Kemper; Marshall, C. E. Myers; Inside Guard, William Harner; Trustee, Chas. E. Harner.

Harry Ohler, commonly known in this place as "Bud," paid our town a brief visit, on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Ohler left here about 25 years ago.

Ladiesburg.

The Christmas service held at the Chapel, on Tuesday night, was a decided success; quite a large crowd was present, considering the weather. The program was very interesting and the children all did their parts to perfection. Santa Claus came late in the evening with presents for all.

Misses Carrie and Margaret Stamb and brother, John, of Colemansville, Pa., who have been spending the holidays with their aunts, Miss Rhoda Hahn and sisters, returned to their home on Saturday.

Mr. Frank Willhide and family, spent Sunday in Woodsboro, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hahn.

Mr. Earl Clemm, who has been sick for sometime, is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Germand, of Beaverdam, spent Monday with Elder David Grossnickle and family.

Mr. Norman Bohn and sister, Miss Bessie, visited friends in Graceland and Thurmont, on Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Jacob Flickinger visited relatives in Taneytown, on Tuesday.

Miss Bessie Bohn has gone to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. G. C. Moore, at Westminster.

Miss Bertha Hahn visited her sister, Mrs. Cramer, at Colemansville, Pa., from Saturday until Monday.

Miss Minnie McKinney spent part of Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. W. H. Martz and family.

We hear our merchants, Mr. C. E. Bradenbaugh & Son, contemplate going out of business in the near future.

Mr. Hayes Grimes and Miss Nora Bowman, were quietly married, on Wednesday, Jan. 5, by Elder David Grossnickle, at his residence in Ladiesburg.

Taylorsville.

Christmas again has passed and the New Year at hand, may you, helpers and readers have a most prosperous year.

Sleighting was enjoyed by all, old and young.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Barnes and two daughters, Ethel and Minnie, spent Thursday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Price and son, Oliver, spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. P's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bair, of Weldon.

Protractive services will begin at the M. E. church, this Sunday evening, at 7.30. Preaching by Rev. Benson.

Mr. Harry Zile and sister, Grace, of Baltimore, spent the holidays with friends here.

Several of our young men attended the shooting match at Dennings, New Year's day.

Mr. Thomas Moore, Jr., returned home Sunday afternoon, after spending the holidays in Baltimore and at Glen Rock, Pa.

Several attended the entertainment and oyster supper, given by St. Stephen's Lodge No. 95, I. O. F. of Daniel.

After the holidays, everybody seems full, although there are not many cases of over eating.

Clear Ridge.

Miss Maud Yingling and brother, Harry, and Mr. Burge, of Baltimore, were guests of E. H. Beard and family, New Year's day.

The remains of Adam Henry, of Woodsboro, were brought to New Windsor, New Year's day on the 10 o'clock train.

Funeral services were conducted in the Pipe Creek Brethren church, by Elder John Smith, of Woodberry, after which interment was made in the cemetery near by.

We are sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Maurice Haines, of Forest Home, whose remains were laid to rest in the Friends' cemetery, near Union Bridge, on Wednesday. Thus we see that the young are called by death's angel, as surely as the old.

Mrs. T. C. Lindsey, of Winchester, Va., was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. John Stone, during the holidays.

Miss Frances Stone, spent the past week with friends in Hanover, Pa.

The hen's Winter diet is lacking in egg-making material. More of her food must be used in keeping her body warm.

Egg production, naturally, falls off. Fairfield's Egg Producer supplies the egg-making material, increases egg production and prevents disease. Sold under written guarantee by S. C. Weaver, Taneytown; Geo. W. Yeiser, Union Mills; T. W. Mather & Sons, Manchester; M. R. Snider, Harney.

Uniontown.

Harry Routson, of Baltimore, spent part of the Holiday season with his mother, Mrs. Missouri Routson.

Carroll Weaver and wife, of Baltimore, also spent some time at home with his parents, Harry Weaver and wife.

John E. Formwalt and wife, spent Sunday in Baltimore, and visited Mrs. Annie Haines at the Hebrew hospital.

Messrs. Hixon Bowersox, Harry Baughman and Gervis Hill and Miss Belle Hill, have returned to their respective work at Gettysburg and Westminster.

The Lutheran C. E. Society held a very pleasant social at the home of Frank Bowersox, on New Year's evening.

The ice-houses of town are all about filled.

Mr. George Lambert, sexton of the Lutheran church, was kindly remembered with a New Year's gift.

Mrs. Elizabeth Davis was taken quite ill in church, on Sunday. At present writing she is improving.

Harvey Erb, Frank Bowersox, Theo. Eckard and Wm. Bankard, are also on the sick list.

Rev. G. W. Baughman received a nice gift of money from the Lutheran congregation at Baust, at their Christmas service, in token of their appreciation of his faithful service among them.

Mrs. Julia Englar and sister, Miss Maria Angel, of Clear Ridge, are spending the winter with Dr. J. F. Englar.

Samuel Harbaugh and wife, have returned, from an extended visit to friends in Pennsylvania.

Mr. George R. Staub and Mrs. Sophia Graham, were quietly married at the parsonage of the Church of God, Uniontown, Md., on last Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1910, at 3 p. m., by her pastor, Rev. L. Murray, in the presence of Mrs. James Cover and the minister's family.

On last Saturday, Jan. 1st., 1910, Mr. Claud Reifsnider and Mr. Sterling Myerly, financial agents of the Church of God, brought with them a very fine donation which they had gathered from the church and their many friends, which they presented to their pastor and family, amounting to twenty-three dollars and fifty cents. The pastor and family return many thanks to all that took part in said donation.

Detour.

The Happy-Go-Lucky Club held its annual banquet at Miss Vallie Shorb's, on New Year's evening. Covers were laid for twenty-five. A bountiful meal was served and the appetites were equal to the occasion. Several of the pleasing features of the evening were:

"A Musical Romance," Mr. Chas. Miller, of Frederick, receiving first prize, Mr. Earl Koons, of Taneytown, second. "A Peanut Race," the successful participants being, first, Mr. J. Howard Miller, of Westminster; second, Mr. P. D. Koons, Jr., of Detour.

Miss Erma Fox is on the sick list, at present writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Warren visited Mr. and Mrs. Parker Smith, at Motter's, on Sunday last.

Mrs. Charles Miller, of Frederick, spent a few days last week, at the home of Dr. Chas. H. Diller's.

Miss Margaret Shorb, of near Rocky Ridge, is spending this week with Miss Margaret Miller.

Wm. Eyer, wife and children, spent Sunday last at Mr. Edward Essick's.

Miss Cora Miller, of Woodsboro, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Katherine Dresher.

Miss Mary Weybright entertained, on Wednesday evening the 29th., in honor of Mrs. Webster Harnish, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

York Road.

Much credit is due Miss Annie Hawk, assisted by the ladies of this place, for a surprise birthday social, which was tendered Mrs. R. W. Galt, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 29. After taking possession of the house and making everyone feel at home, a pleasant chat was engaged in until ten o'clock, at which time the entire party was invited to the dining room to a well supplied table of cake, candies, coffee, ice cream, etc., which were tastefully arranged and supplied by the lady guests. After giving due credit to that part of the program and thanking Mr. and Mrs. Galt for the kindness manifested in their reception, the party returned home, feeling that they had passed a pleasant and joyous evening.

Those present were: R. W. Galt and wife, Lewis Hann and wife, Thomas Otto and wife, Chas. Willhide and wife, Geo. Galt and wife, Geo. Dern and wife, Lloyd Reiser and wife, Edwin Sharretts, and wife, William Six and wife, Ernest Ritter and wife, Wm. Devillbiss and wife, Oliver Stoniesier and wife, Luther Sharretts and wife, Mrs. Sallie Shoemaker, Peter Baumgardner and wife, John Deberry and wife, Geo. Koons and wife, Chas. Gardner and wife, Geo. Ritter and wife, Ross Galt and wife, O. D. Birely and wife, Geo. Deberry and wife, Fritz Robertson and wife, Elf Fogle and wife, W. F. Cover and wife, Alfred Hape and wife, J. W. Kolb and wife, Mervin Barr and wife, Chas. Garber and wife, W. W. Sweigart, Wm. Mehning, James Koons, Mrs. Thomas Reiser, Mrs. Lydia Stansbury, Mrs. Julia Ashbaugh, Mrs. Mortimer Dorsey, Mrs. Ida Shildt, Messrs. Fry Sweigart, Luther Fox, Wilbur Kolb, Harrison Smith, Harry Dorsey, Warfle Sweigart, Misses. Anna Mehning, Jennie Galt, Ada Mehning, Carrie Stoniesier, Nellie Willhide, Anna Reiser, Caroline Reiser, Olga Robertson, Annie Hawk, Nellie O. Smith, Edith Fox, Mattie Koons, Lula Birely, Emma Fox, Blanche Koons, Ethel Sweigart, Benlah Newman, Anna Ritter.

Mayberry.

Wm. Erb entertained on last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Warner and daughter, of Baltimore; Samuel Messinger, of Union Mills; Mrs. Charles Koonck and daughter, Emma, and Wm. Flickinger, of Taneytown.

George Gouker, of Littlestown, is spending some time with his uncle, Rufus Myers, of near this place.

Miss Mattie Wantz spent a few days in Hanover, visiting relatives and friends last week.

Robert Erb was home from Baltimore for a week with a boil on his arm, but at this writing has returned to his work again.

The revival services which are being held at the Church of God are still in progress.

James Trayer, of Westminster, took possession of his store, on Monday, Jan. 3.

Linwood.

On Dec. 29, the Linwood Circle, with some of our neighbors, wended their way to the hospitable home of William Messler, to give him a surprise on his fiftieth anniversary. There were 47 present, and everybody was in for a good time. Jesse Smith kindly consented to take charge of a short literary program, which was enjoyed by all, especially the original piece of poetry, written for the occasion by Mr. Smith. Refreshments were served in abundance, when all left for their homes, wishing Mr. Messler many happy returns of the day.

Samuel Cole and bride (nee Westwood), of Pittsburg, spent several days with Mrs. John Englar.

Mrs. R. Lee Myers entertained to dinner on the 30, Mrs. E. L. Shriner, Mrs. Jesse Garner, Mrs. S. B. Rinehart, Mrs. Will Messler and Misses Emma Garner, Addie Senseney, Adelaide Messler and Lottie Englar.

Mrs. C. H. Englar visited her daughter, in Hagerstown, last week.

Mrs. Minnie Garner gave a masquerade party on New Year's Eve to about twenty of her friends.

Mrs. Morris Haines died on Sunday night after a lingering illness of cancer. Funeral services on Wednesday afternoon, interment in Friends cemetery. She is survived by her husband and one child.

Miss Carrie Hoffman is spending the week at Linwood Shade.

Miss Fannie Dorsey entertained a few of her friends on Tuesday night, in honor of her mother's birthday.

Quite a number of children in our village and vicinity have measles.

Emanuel Fisher and wife, of New Windsor, spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Joseph Bowers.

John Frederick Buffington, returned to Baltimore, on Sunday evening, having spent the holidays in our village.

On Jan. 1, the firm of Englar Bros. & Co., was dissolved and the Junior member, John A. Englar, assumed control.

Bark Hill.

Christmas was spent very quietly around this little village, owing to the snow which fell all day.

Rev. D. C. Eyer, of Fountaineale, preached here Sunday morning and evening in Rev. Englar's place, who has been quite ill.

Mrs. Cora Biddinger and daughter, Evelyn, of near Philadelphia, are visiting her parents, Charles Wilson and family.

Roland Smith had another attack of appendicitis last week.

Frank Rowe, of Baltimore, is spending some time with Levi Rowe and family.

Miss Ione Rowe, of Hanover, spent from Wednesday till Saturday with her parents, Nathan Rowe and family.

Grandmother Hooker was taken quite sick on last Sunday afternoon.

On New Year's day Jesse Shivers and wife gave a dinner to a few of their relatives. Those present were, J. O. Biddinger and wife, Rex Biddinger and wife, of this place, and Mrs. Cora Biddinger and daughter, of near Philadelphia.

Jessie Weller, wife and son, of Hagerstown, spent a few days with John Smith and family.

Bernard Wilson and wife, of Frederick spent some time with Charles Wilson and family.

Mrs. Lucy Shew and Miss Gwendoline Wilhelm, visited friends in Union Bridge, last week.

Ray Singer, wife and son, Paul, and Miss Alice Vanfossen, visited Frank Bohn and wife, last Saturday.

News was received here on Monday morning of the death of Mrs. Charles Rowe, formerly of here, but now of Baltimore, who died on Sunday evening. She was brought to New Windsor, Tuesday morning, on the 10 o'clock train, and was taken from there to Dennings for burial.

Bridgeport.

Mr. Augustus Ohler, of Hammond, Ill., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ohler, near Bridgeport.

Miss Grace Cornell, of New Windsor, spent a few days last week, at Meadow Brook Farm, the guest of Pauline Baker.

Mrs. Wm. Nail, of Bridgeport, and sisters, Lillie and Lottie Hoke, of near Emmitsburg, spent a few days in York, Pa.

Tyrone.

Mrs. Rosie Winters, is visiting in Baltimore and Glen Burnie, and expects to spend the winter among friends.

The Christmas entertainment at Baust was held on New Year's eve, and was well attended. Miss Fannie Flohr, who had charge of the training of the children, deserves much credit for the skillful management of the children in their exercises. The pastors were not forgotten, also the organists, Miss Mabel Myers and Wm. Flohr, of the Lutheran congregation, and Miss Hattie Rodkey, of the Reformed congregation, each received a purse for their inestimable service during the year. Mr. Jacob Sell, the janitor, was also remembered by a purse from both congregations.

Luther Helwig and family, of Pleasant Valley, were the guests of George Hymler, on Sunday.

New Windsor.

Kelso Anders, of Baltimore, spent Sunday last here, with his father and sisters.

Ernest Dielman, of New York, is visiting his grandfather, Louis Dielman.

Wm. Wilson and family, of Westminster, Miss Meryl Devillbiss and Chas. Wilson, of Baltimore, were guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson, from Saturday until Sunday.

Walter Getty and wife, gave a supper to a number of their friends, on Saturday evening last.

Mrs. Julia Rupp is sick.

New Windsor College opened on Wednesday.

Measles are quite popular with the children, but seem to be in a mild form.

Denton Snader and bride, of Baltimore, visited their parents here, on Saturday and Sunday last.

A. C. Smelser and wife, entertained, a number of friends on Friday evening last.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a very valuable medicine for throat and lung troubles, quickly relieves and cures painful breathing and a dangerously sounding cough which indicates congested lungs. Sold by all dealers.

Copperville.

William Roberts, who has been visiting his mother, at the home of his uncle, Percy H. Shriver, has returned to his place of business.

Mrs. Mary A. Garner, who is nearing her 91st birthday, has been very sick the past week, but is improving.

Miss Grace Trimmer returned from the hospital, on New Year's evening, greatly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Warner and daughter, Rosa, of Baltimore, spent the holidays with relatives at Melrose, Silver Run and Mayberry, and returned by way of little Copperville, where Mrs. Warner's mother and two brothers reside.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Flickinger gave a New Year's dinner in honor of Mrs. Flickinger's father, Mr. Henry Sell, it being his birthday.

Mr. John Byers has been visiting his brother beyond Westminster, the past week.

Now how about our New Year's resolves, have they been formed? and will they be carried through? We hope for the better.

SALE REGISTER.

All Sales for which this office does the printing and advertising, will be inserted under this heading, (3 lines), free of charge, until said notices will be charged 50c. For four insertions and 10c for each additional insertion, or \$1.00 for the entire term. For longer notices charges will be made according to length and number of insertions.

FEBRUARY.

Feb. 8-10 o'clock, William Snider, near Taneytown. Live Stock, Implements and Household Goods. J. N. O. Smith, Auct.

MARCH.

Mar. 1-12 o'clock, Joseph Foreman, near Otter Dale. Live Stock and Implements. J. N. O. Smith, Auct.

Mar. 5-12 o'clock, Herbert Winter, near Tyrone. Furniture and Implements. J. N. O. Smith, Auct.

Mar. 9-10 o'clock, W. C. Rinehart, near Union Bridge. Horses and Implements. E. A. Lawrence, Auct.

Mar. 9-11 o'clock, Wm. Graham, on Keyville road. Live Stock and Implements. J. N. O. Smith, Auct.

Mar. 9-9 o'clock, Jacob Stambaugh, near Keyville. Live Stock and Implements. Wm. T. Smith, Auct.

Mar. 10-10 o'clock, Mrs. Stott and Anna Galt, on Galt farm, Littlestown road. Stock and Implements. Wm. T. Smith, Auct.

Mar. 12-12 o'clock, John White, near Bruceville. Live Stock and Implements. Wm. T. Smith, Auct.

Mar. 12-12 o'clock, E. C. Caylor, near Fairview. Household goods, stock and implements. J. N. O. Smith, Auct.

Mar. 15-10 o'clock, R. W. Weaver, near Walnut Grove School. Stock, Implements and Household Goods. Wm. T. Smith, Auct.

Mar. 15-12 o'clock, Calvin Slonaker, Mayberry. Live Stock and Implements. J. N. O. Smith, Auct.

President Stands Firm for Railroad Legislation.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—President Taft won a preliminary victory for his legislative program today in refusing to be diverted from his purposes with respect to inter-state commerce legislation by the presidents of the great railroad systems of the country. He received the six railroad presidents at the White House, heard their objections to the legislation he will propose to strengthen government regulation of interstate carriers, and sent them away with the knowledge that his recommendations will not be changed in consequence of their visit and that he stands where he did before they came to Washington.

The railroad presidents who attended were James McCreary, of the Pennsylvania system; Lovett, of the Harriman lines, including the Union and Southern Pacific and allied lines; Baer, of the Philadelphia and Reading; Finley, of the Southern; Brown, of the New York Central, and Mullen, of the New York, New Haven and Hartford.

Attorney General Wickersham was present as the President's assistant, and the railroad chiefs had with them Lewis Cass Ledyard, of New York, as counsel for all. The conference lasted nearly three hours, during which the railroad men expressed their objections to every feature of the President's railroad program, declaring that there is now all the regulation of railroad traffic which the railroads can stand. When they left the President the only man who would say anything at all was President Brown, of New York Central.

"We have presented our objections," said he, "and they were listened to. Further than this it is impossible for us to make any statement." If President Brown had been a trifle more frank he could have said that the railroad presidents collectively realized that their mission had been a failure, and that they had not moved the President from his determination to seek legislation for the better protection of the public interest from railroad exactions and from railroad monopolization.

What actually happened in the conference was this. The presidents of the railroads objected most strenuously to President Taft's proposition to restrict the issuance of railroad stocks and bonds by placing such issues under the supervision of the Interstate Commerce Commission and requiring that stocks shall be sold at par and bonds at a reasonable market valuation and only for purposes which the Interstate Commission shall approve.

It was represented to the President that this proposition, if enacted into law, would prove a most formidable barrier to further railroad construction in this country, and would seriously hamper transportation corporations in borrowing money for extensions and improvements or for any other purpose. President Taft did not think it would prevent the sale of securities for any legitimate purpose, and refused to modify this recommendation.

Respecting the several other propositions which will be advocated in the President's message, the railroad presidents were almost as much opposed. They objected to the proposed establishment of a Commerce Court to hear immediately appeals from the rulings of the Interstate Commerce Commission, on the ground that this court would soon develop into another Interstate Commerce Commission, and the railroads would have the two of them to fight or to submit to, according as circumstances may develop.

Fairfield's Blood Tonic for Horses Only neutralizes poisons produced by undigested foods fermenting in the intestines. It strengthens digestion, purifies the blood, perfecting the health and increasing the animal's working ability. Sold under written guarantee by S. C. Reaver, Taneytown; Geo. W. Yeiser, Union Mills; T. W. Mather & Sons, Manchester; M. R. Snider, Harney.

Dr. Cook is Critically Ill.

New York, Jan. 3.—That Dr. Frederick A. Cook's original polar data, which is asserted, did not reach the Danish scientists before the University of Copenhagen announced that the typewritten records submitted by the Brooklyn physician were insufficient to establish his claim of being the first to reach the North Pole, were delivered to Dr. Torp, former rector of the University of Copenhagen, more than a week ago was the information imparted to-day by a near relative of Dr. Cook.

From the same source it was learned that Dr. Cook, who is still in seclusion in a remote corner of Europe, is critically ill and under the care of an eminent Vienna specialist. So serious is the explorer's condition, it is said, that he has not been informed of the adverse decision of the Danish scientists who passed upon the incomplete records conveyed to them by Walter Lonsdale, the explorer's secretary.

That the report that Mrs. Cook has lost confidence in her husband and is ready to seek a legal separation or divorce is unfounded is indicated by the fact that Mrs. Cook, who has always had implicit faith in her husband, is now at the explorer's bedside. Mrs. Cook has kept her relatives informed as to her whereabouts and as to the physical and mental condition of Dr. Cook, who suffered a nervous breakdown before his mysterious disappearance from New York while laboring under a delusion that he was being trailed by spies.

Charles Wake, manager of the Equitable Assurance Society, who was one of Dr. Cook's most intimate friends, told a week ago of the mental condition of Dr. Cook at the time of his disappearance from New York. He explained that the original polar data had been left in his safe, and were taken to Europe by Mrs. Cook December 4, reaching there too late to be placed in the hands of the Danish scientists.

On the day following the announcement of the decision of the University of Copenhagen, Dr. Ellis Stromgren, professor of astronomy in the institution and chairman of the commission named to pass upon Dr. Cook's records, announced that should Dr. Cook's original data be forwarded later, they would be passed upon by the commission which rejected the inadequate typewritten matter submitted by Mr. Lonsdale. Whether Dr. Torp, who is no longer rector of the University of Copenhagen, has delivered the original diary and observations to Dr. Stromgren has not been established.

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A New Disfranchising Scheme.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 4.—A bold scheme is advocated by former Senator M. V. Brewington, to disfranchise the colored voting population of Maryland. The scheme, which is being seriously considered by other Democratic members on the scene, provides for a new general registration of voters in the state and city next year at which the registration of colored voters is to be refused. To carry this radical idea into effect, at the outset it will be necessary to abolish the present bipartisan system of registration officers and to return to the old system of two majority and one minority registration officers. The Democrats, of course, will be the majority officers and the Republican officer will be helpless.

It is proposed that the general registration of voters shall take place as late as possible so that the interim between the registration and election shall be brief, thus staying off court interference, if possible, until after the election, and then it will be too late. The daring of the whole thing reveals itself when its purpose becomes known. Included in it is the submission next year of a suffrage amendment to the Constitution, this amendment to be passed by the General Assembly this year.

If the bold move is made and is not checked to refuse registration to colored applicants the amendment will be voted upon only by white men. At the same election a governor, an attorney general, a comptroller, half of the state Senate and all of the members of the House of Delegates are to be chosen. Mr. Brewington and other Democratic leaders claim that they will be able with the elimination of the colored vote, to carry through the suffrage amendment, elect their candidates for governor, for comptroller, for attorney general and a majority of their candidates for the Senate and House of Delegates.

The success of this scheme depends upon the action of the state and federal courts. If the courts interfere in time, of course, the whole thing will fall through. It is claimed that the federal courts if appealed to will not be able to make effective in time a mandamus to compel the registration officers to place the names of colored voters on the lists, since an adverse decision by the Circuit Court would be immediately followed by an appeal from that court to the District Court of Appeals, and then to the United States Supreme Court.

The attitude of the Court of Appeals on the questions involved has never been determined. Will the court take the view, because the Fifteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution, giving the colored man the right to vote, was not approved by the Maryland legislature in 1870, that it is nugatory as far as this state is concerned? Another argument which the Democrats say may be advanced is that the Fifteenth Amendment, according to their view, was never approved by the majority of states, since, they claim, the Southern states, then lately in rebellion, voted for it under coercion.

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A Pretty Rough Fight.

Mr. James W. Kooztz, of Smithsburg, Washington county brother of Mr. Robert Kooztz, formerly of Burkittsville, now at Roanoke, Va., has a broken arm as the result of a fight with a Waynesboro, Pa., man, whom he first struck and badly injured with a plank. Mr. Kooztz is building a new house and the trouble started when he re-employed a Waynesboro man who had been discharged by the contractor, Jacob G. Mowery, also of Waynesboro. When Mr. Kooztz refused to again discharge the man, Mr. Mowery quit work.

Wednesday of last week Mowery and John Florence, of Roundville, went to the Kooztz house to get the former's tools. The Waynesboro workman at the house started a quarrel with the men, but they went inside the new house and started to pack up the tools. Kooztz appeared and an argument ensued, resulting in Kooztz seizing a 2x4 plank three feet long and knocking Contractor Mowery unconscious, cracking his cheek bone, breaking several teeth and badly bruising his eye, ear and head. He again attempted to strike the fallen man, it is said, but Florence grabbed the plank and struck Kooztz, knocking him backwards through the joists into the cellar below, the fall breaking Kooztz's arm. Florence then carried Mowery to his buggy and drove to Waynesboro with the bleeding and unconscious man.

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The Exaggerator.

George Nicholson, a Kansas City manufacturer, was discussing the \$3,000,000 life insurance policy that has attracted so much attention to him in the insurance world.

"You see," said Mr. Nicholson, with a smile, "we don't live as long here in Missouri as they do in Montana, so insurance is necessary."

"A Montana man was talking in the smoking-room of a Kansas City hotel about longevity."

"Now," he said, "our Montana air is something like an air. It makes you live, whether you want to or not. Why, my uncle George'll be ninety-six next spring, but you'd never think it to see him hoppin' on and off of his biplane when he's starting out to see his old folks. My aunt Lizzie is eighty, and she's the junior golf champion of Big Fork. I tell you, she's a peach of a player for a junior; when she gets a few more years over her head, she'll make the older players set up, there ain't no doubt about that. My relations are strong all around Big Fork, Butte and Miles City, but I can't call to mind any of them ever passing in their checks under the century mark."

"It seems to me I've read somewhere, though," said a quiet man, "that one of your relations died suddenly while still young."

"Oh," said the Montanan, "you're thinking about Uncle Peleg. He got damages from the Big Fork Palladium for publishing a false account of his death. That's all there is to that."

"No," said the quiet man; "it wasn't your uncle Peleg, it was'n't in the Big Fork Palladium. It was in the Acts of the Apostles, and it concerned your Uncle Ananias."

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Mississippi's New Senator.

"Mississippi's new and temporary senator, Col. James Gordon, is such an innocent, natural and amiable old gentleman that the newspaper men of Washington will forebear making game of him, even if he does suggest the famous and unsophisticated Davy Crockett," remarked Mr. Thomas I. Pence, a well-known Washington correspondent at the Kennett.

"He is not the most verdant statesman at that who has been at the capital in recent years. Did not the renowned Major Martin, representative of an East Texas district, on the night he arrived in Washington blow out the gas in his room at the old Willard Hotel? True, the Major denied it, but it is a fact that the hotel folk had hard work effecting his restoration of life."

Major Gordon is an old-fashioned planter and gentleman who hasn't the veneer of the metropolis, but he is 18-carat gold all the way through. He will not essay the role of Senator Jeff Davis, of Arkansas, or commit any other demagogical tricks, but he will vote with his party, take an occasional 'today' when he feels like it, and when his short service is ended will carry back to his plantation home the good will and respect of every one who has met him in an arena that his environment had scarcely fitted him for, even if his years had not been too numerous."—American.

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Hens Ate Dynamite.

A man who has a small farm a few miles from Winstead, Conn., does not dare to trample on a small portion of it and is afraid to eat his own hens' eggs. Heavy fowls he had been fattening are immune from death for the present, so far as his killing them is concerned.

Dynamite is the cause of his trouble. He opened two one-pound sticks of the explosive, into which a little frog had found its way, and after breaking the cylinders into pieces spread them on a flat stone in the sun to dry. He meant to use the dynamite in a lot he is clearing.

When he went to get the explosive after he had drilled in a big boulder, he saw a flock of his hens scratching in the dynamite and eating it as they would eat small gravel. That's why the farmer does not care to eat his own hens' eggs, for he fears particles of dynamite may lurk in the shells.

"Who knows where that dynamite ate is now?" he said sadly. "Suppose it's got into the shells? Think I'd run the risk of cracking one of those eggshells? Yet how are you going to eat eggs without breaking the shells?"

And there's the story in an eggshell. The puzzled farmer cannot tell by the looks of his hens which ate the dynamite; therefore, he doesn't dare to eat any of them. As for swinging heavily on their heads with an axe, he shudders at the thought.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never disappoints those who use it for obstinate coughs, colds and irritations of the throat and lungs. It stands unrivaled as a remedy for all throat and lung diseases. Sold by all dealers.

Rough on Pop.

"Mamma, I don't understand some of these words. What's the difference between a dialogue and a monologue?" "No difference at all, Johnny, if your father is taking any part in the conversation."—Chicago Tribune.

Young Folks

CONCERNING THE CAMEL.

Queer Looking Beast of Burden Stores Fat In Its Hump.

The camel eats readily all kinds of juicy plants, beans, peas and grains, but when such dainty food is not to be had he browses quite contentedly on dry, thorny shrubs and even swallows whole branches of acacia, whose thorns are sharp enough to pierce the sole of a strong boot. During the rainy season, when fresh green vegetation is abundant, the camel drivers encourage their charges to eat as much as possible, and it is said that in order to increase their appetites common salt is dissolved in the drinking troughs. Under such treatment the camel rapidly accumulates fat, and the hump, which contains his reserve store, may increase to four or five times the dimensions it had during the hot season. When drought is prolonged and food is scarce the hump may almost disappear again.

The foot of the camel is two toed, but the toes are joined together by a large cushion covered with more or less callous skin. It is this cushion which enables the camel to walk steadily across loose and shifting sands where a horse's hoofs would sink deep at every step. The average speed of a baggage camel is about two and a half miles an hour, and its load varies from 300 to 800 pounds. A dromedary may travel at the rate of ten miles an hour, and this rate may be kept up for many days.—Golden Rule.

TINKLING COWBELLS.

Time Honored Musical Instrument Needs No Improvement.

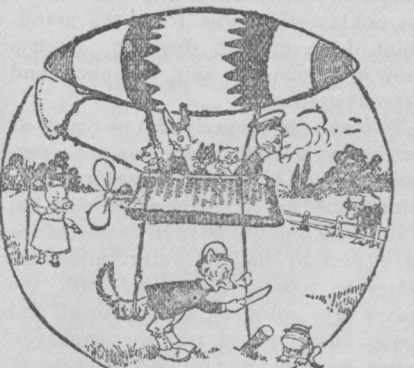
One of the comparatively few things that the hand of improvement has not touched is the cowbell, which is made now just as it was a hundred years ago. Cowbells are made some of copper and some of a composition metal, but most of them are made of iron and finished with a coating of bronze.

The cowbell is not cast. It is cut from a sheet of metal, which is folded into shape and riveted. The metal loop at the top through which the strap is passed is riveted into the bell. The bells are made of ten sizes, whose sounds range through an octave. Sometimes musical entertainers who play upon bells of one sort and another come to the manufacturer and by selection among bells of the various sizes find eight bells that are accurate in scale.

There are only a few factories in the United States in which cowbells are made, and in each case the cowbell is only an item of production among many other things. Cowbells are sold all over the country just the same as ever, but much of the greater number are sold in the south, the southwest and the west, where farms are larger, less likely to be fenced and cattle are more likely to stray.—Chicago News.

Trip In an Airship.

Mr. Rabbit was waiting for a favorable wind to try his airship when Mr. Fox came along, bent on mischief, as usual. "I'll cut old Rabbit loose. It will surprise him," he said.



Unfortunately for Mr. Fox, his coat caught in the anchor, and up he went. "Drop me in a soft spot!" he yelled. "All right," said Mr. Rabbit. "I know a nice stagnant pool."



"Is that soft enough?" said Mr. Rabbit as they sailed merrily away, leaving Mr. Fox in the horrid, muddy pool.

In Topsy Turvy China.

In the United States and European countries it is considered extremely rude for one person to ask another personal questions unless, indeed, the two are on terms of intimacy. But in China, where so many things seem topsy turvy, the reverse is the rule. When a Chinaman meets you casually on the road there is thought to be no more delicate way of indicating a polite and friendly interest in you than asking, for instance, how old you are. From this he may rapidly pass to queries as to whether or not you are married, how much you make a year, where you are going, what you are going for and even how much you paid for various articles of wearing apparel.

WHEN WOMEN VOTE.

Not a Self Respecting Man Will Stay Away From Polls.

I have a letter from a man, says Dorothy Dix, who is really intelligent enough to know better, who says:

"If women had votes there is not a self respecting man who would go to the polls. He will let the country go to perdition in the hands of that abnormal and unnatural creature, the masculine woman, and things will be sooner right themselves by a political, social and economic cataclysm that will drive the brazen females back to their proper places—the kitchen and the nursery."

Let us hasten to assure this modern Jeremiah that his gloomy prophecies are without foundation. The time will come when women will vote, and yet not a self respecting man will stay away from the polls because he is liable to meet there his mother, his sisters, his female cousins and his aunts.

"The proof of the pudding is in the eating," says the old adage, and we base our belief on this happy outcome of woman's suffrage on the fact that in the countries where women do vote they have not kept a single man, self respecting or otherwise, from exercising his privilege as a free man to express his opinion by means of a ballot. In the four western states where women vote and where men are quick on the trigger it certainly wouldn't be safe to tell any gentleman that he was a poor, emasculated squaw man because he went to the polls at which women also voted. In New Zealand, Australia, the Isle of Man, Finland and Norway women have full suffrage, and if the self respecting men of these countries are conspicuous by reason of their absence from the polls no rumor of it has reached the outer world.

Indeed, the best argument that can be advanced for giving women the right to vote is that wherever female suffrage has been tried it has worked out successfully, and there has never been a suggestion of depriving women of their rights and going back to the old order of a male oligarchy.

TELEPHONE DON'TS.

Temper Justice With Mercy In Your Treatment of Operators.

Do not allow yourself to get into the habit of long conversations over the telephone. People who do this lose all perception of the times when they may be annoying or disturbing others.

Particularly in the case of party wires is there call for consideration. Some one else may urgently desire to use this same telephone over which you are gossiping.

Do not use the telephone of the woman upon whom you are calling unless it is absolutely necessary. Thoughtless women often make a convenience of their friends in this respect. Your hostess may not wish to take you into the part of the house in which the telephone is situated, or when frequently done it may prove a considerable expense to her.

Do not call up men in business hours if you can possibly help it.

If it is necessary to do so, be as brief as possible.

Do not tell things which you do not wish known over the telephone. Conversations are often audible to all of the persons in the room with the person to whom you are talking.

If it is a business conversation it is well to think what you are going to say beforehand. Orders or requests are frequently misunderstood through the hesitation and changeableness of the person giving them.

Finally, temper justice with mercy in your treatment of the young woman operators who answer your calls. Their business is a tedious and wearisome one, and it is almost impossible to be always eagerly attentive.

Rare Paintings on Stable Wall.

Emy Eichhorn, grandniece of Jean Louis Agassiz, famous American naturalist, has discovered paintings of high artistic merit on the walls of a stable in the village of Merna, in the Tyrol. Miss Eichhorn lives with her mother, who is a writer. The stable was once used as a chapel, but that fact was forgotten, and the paintings were covered with the dust and dirt of decades. Miss Eichhorn had the walls cleaned, and the pictures stood out clearly. They are in panels, and experts from Berlin are to examine them. An old villager remembered having seen the pictures when he was a boy, but he said "nobody thought they had any value." This attitude parallels that of country folk in the north of Ireland who whitewashed out of existence one of the most interesting relics of Dean Swift. He scribbled stray thoughts on the walls of a substantially built shanty of a single room. The place was preserved many years until a farmer went in one day with his bucket of whitewash and obliterated every word written by the cynical Swift. Miss Eichhorn is more fortunate in her pictures having escaped a coat of whitewash.

Wastebasket For the Kitchen.

One often reads in the woman's column, which is bristling with advice, that there should be a wastebasket in every room in the house, and if the tractable housekeeper does as she is bid it is probable that she puts one in every room in the house, with the exception of the room that needs one the most, the kitchen. Perhaps it never occurred to you to have one in the kitchen. In the days of the coal range it wasn't really needed there, but with a gas or gasoline stove it is a great help in keeping the kitchen in order. Try one under the kitchen table and see how many pieces of wrapping paper and string it will catch in the course of the day.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8, 1910.

OUR HOME DEPARTMENT.

Original and Selected Articles of Interest to the Home.

We invite contributions to this department from all readers who have something to say on topics which relate especially to home improvement, social conditions, or moral issues. While we disclaim all endorsement of sentiments which may be expressed by contributors, and desire to be as liberal as possible, we at the same time request all to avoid personalities, and stick to proper expressions of opinion.

All articles for this department must be in our office not later than Monday morning, of each week, to be guaranteed insertion the same week, and all articles must be signed with the name of the author, even when a nom de plume is given.

MEMORY.

(For the Record.)
O Memory, thou gallery, with storied walls of Thought,
Thou comest to us in the silent hours of night,
Thy mystic star illumines our midnight dreams;
Reflecting the past, through which the future gleams.
Upon thy flattering high-lights we may trace
The joy, and even the smile of some dear face;
Which except in dreams, was lost to us for years,
Visions of bliss, which close with heart-felt tears!
O Memory, thou Casket, filled with secret Thought,
Fain would we flee from memories with pain distraught,
We long to bury, deep within thy lined walls,
Our fears, and hide beneath thy darkness despondency and tears.
Our golden web of thought is woven from joy and pain;
Nor do we know how long within thy cavern it hath lain.
We only know that memory wakes with visions all our own,
That hope we seek within Thy depths—the anchor of the soul.
O Memory, thou open book, with letters bold and clear;
Yielding our Thought, like luscious fruit, from year to year.
Mirrored on Thy pages our changeless records lay,
In burning letters we read them from day to day.
Some pages we would never turn, and willingly forget
The records which hold our sacred past, and yet
The shuttle of life is weaving, daily adding a thread
To the endless chain of Memory—the indestructible web.

HELEN ROOT LILLY.
Frederick, Md.

PARTING WORDS.

Abner Wilcox brung some eggs
In t' sell; an' Ezry Beggs
Counts 'em out, an' Abner waits
Fer his money, 'cuz he hates
T' give credit; an' he says:
"Good Lord keep ye, Brother Ez!
It's a wicked world an' we
Ain't jist what we orto be!"

An' nex' day, why, Ezry Beggs
Says thet half of Abner's eggs
Proves them partin' words of his
Jist ez true ez Scripter is!

Abner Wilcox allus brung
Some good sayin' on his tongue
'Bout th' wickedness of sin
When he brung his butter in.
Set his crock right down an' say:
"Good Lord guard ye on yer way,
Brother Ez—life's jist a span,
Let's be decent ez we can!"

Ezry says it wuz a sin
(When he put his Tryer in)
Abner's butter hadn't heard
Brother Abner's partin' word!

Abner brung some broilers, all
Dressed along in early fall,
An' got top-notch price becuz
Of how source young chickens wuz!
"Years is passin', Ez," says he,
"Gittin' older, you an' me,
But we ain't real old ez long
Ez th' heart is full of song!"

An' nex' day, why, Ezry, he
Told it t' Hod an' me:
"Too bad," Ezry says, "by jing,
Abner's broilers couldn't sing!"

Orange Marmalade.

While the genuine bitter Scotch marmalade is prepared only from the Seville oranges, which are not always easy to obtain, ordinary oranges combined with a few lemons or grape fruit make a good substitute.

An excellent rule calls for the use of two lemons to every dozen large oranges, using if possible one bitter orange to eleven of the sweet. Slice the oranges thin, removing the seeds. Add the lemons and enough cold water to make three quarts and a half in all. Let stand over night in an earthen bowl. The next morning put over the fire and simmer gently until the strips of rind are tender. Add seven pounds granulated sugar and continue the cooking, stirring often, until the strips are transparent and the sirup when cooled of a jelly-like consistency.

Partially cool to the kettle, then pour into glasses. This hardens after standing. Do not cover at once, but allow to cool. To seal properly, fit a round of paper to each glass, dip in brandy, put over the fruit, then adjust the covers or seal the top with paper moistened with white of egg.

Allow no spaces where the air can penetrate.

If you prefer the marmalade to be more bitter, tie some of the seeds in a little bag and boil with it. Remove when the marmalade is put in glasses.

The Pretty Girl.

By right of beauty! The pretty girl may not quite tell you so, but she probably believes that the world is hers by right of beauty. This is the theory she holds if she is twin sister to every other pretty girl, and it is safe enough to surmise that this family likeness exists; the exceptions are too rare to disprove the statement.

She knows she's a pretty, pretty thing, and it is exactly this that makes her what she is; something every man wants to court, but no man to marry; something that every woman wants to shun.

She isn't a desirable companion, and other women know it at once, but men take some little time to find it out.

Beauty is only skin deep (unless its owner determines to make it something more), and such shallow things are never very satisfying. People tire of the merely pretty face, and man, after he has toyed with and admired it for a brief season, coolly moves on (probably to another, and leaves it for his successor, the next suitor who looms up boldly on the horizon.

It's a handicap—a fearful handicap—to be expected always to look pretty, and this is a demand made upon the pretty girl. Beauty she is, and beauty she must remain through all her days. It means not only a continuous performance—a daily show, but, since looks are the sole attraction, they must be a lasting thing, which they rarely are.

The merely pretty girl fades out, like the perishable flower. She has her little day and is done. On the whole, there isn't anything satisfying about it, and most women of sense would rather be excused from paying the roll.

This is not jealousy, because there is a handsome type against whom other women are saying nothing and to whom they bow. They all want to be the handsome woman; they are free and frank to admit it.

But the pretty girl has the odds against her. She is usually disagreeable, because she has been pampered and petted; she does nothing, because nothing has been expected of her, and she knows nothing, because beauty has been its own excuse for being.

To be merely pretty is a distressing thing, or should be. The distrust of her own sex and the half-hearted admiration of the opposite unite to form the penalty the pretty girl invariably pays for being only that and nothing more.

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How to Make Tea.

Tea is responsible for many ills, especially among women. While it is the simplest matter in the world to make tea properly, it is unhealthfully prepared more often than otherwise. Tea is absolutely unfit to drink when the brewing process has proceeded beyond a certain point and tannin is liberated, but if care is taken the evils of moderate tea-drinking may be reduced to a minimum. The old rule which calls for a teaspoonful for each person and one for the pot is unthinkable from the standpoint of the modern dietitian. Such a brew is ruinous to skin, stomach and nervous system.

To make tea properly and as nearly as can be hygienically, buy good tea, preferably black. Heat the receptacle in which the tea is to be made with hot water, use one teaspoonful or less of tea to a pint of boiling water, allow the water to remain in contact with the leaves five minutes, then pour off and use at once. Never put the teapot directly in contact with intense heat. A very safe and satisfactory way of making tea is by the use of the tea-ball, as very little tannin contaminates the beverage thus made. The abuse of tea is common and a fertile source of serious nervous disease. The habit of giving tea and coffee to young children is little short of criminal.

While on the subject of beverages let me remind you of buttermilk. The beauties of three generations back looked on buttermilk as an invaluable aid to their charms. They used it as a wash and they drank it freely. While it does not appeal to our modern ideas of cleanliness to bathe in it, we still consider buttermilk one of the most healthful foods.

Let me suggest a few luncheon menus for our girls who want to look wholesome and feel well. For instance, try a glass of sweet milk or buttermilk with Boston brown bread, between thinly cut slices of which cream cheese has been spread. If these sandwiches are made at home, variety may be obtained by adding to the cheese a few chopped nuts, a little chopped sweet pepper, a few pistachio nuts, etc.—Dr. Jean Williams in *Woman's Home Companion* for January.

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Children of Long Ago.

A volume on politeness and manners which was published in the eighteenth century does not confine itself to purely ethical considerations. The minutest directions are given as to polite behavior under all sorts of circumstance:

"Take salt with a saltspoon or else with a clean knife, not with that you are eating with, for that will foul the rest."

"Do not laugh at table, much less sneeze, cough or yawn. But if you cannot avoid it hold up the napkin or tablecloth before your face and turn aside from the table."

"When you drink bow to some one of the company and say sir or madam."

"Never regard what another has on his plate. It looks as if you wanted it."

"If you have occasion to laugh turn from the company."

"Always look pleased, but not merry unless there is occasion."

Now as to the deportment of a young master:

"Let your feet be placed at a small distance from one another, not too close nor too wide in spreading."

"Put one hand easy and free into the bosom of your waistcoat and the other under the flap of it."

"Do not button more than the three lowest buttons of your waistcoat that your hand may not be raised too high."

"Do not thrust your hand into your breeches as vulgar boys do, but let it fall with ease under the flap of your waistcoat."

To face this page there is a beautiful "copper cut" of a young master in the easy and elegant attitude recommended, and truly "there is a great deal of sweetness in his looks."

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Is There a Postal Deficit?

It should be borne in mind that what President Taft calls the deficit in the Post-office Department is not real. The Postoffice Department is earning a large surplus profit on the business it carries on for its patrons. Even if all publishers and private individuals and firms withdrew their business from the Post-Office Department, the Government would still have its own large distribution of letters and printed material to make for Congress, for the Departments at Washington, and for the official business of several hundred thousand people constituting the civil and military services of the United States. It would probably have to pay from seventy-five to a hundred million dollars a year to carry on its own postal business. Yet the books of the Post-Office Department do not make any account whatsoever of this vast item.

It is safe to say that there is no other government in the world whose postal department is not credited with the expense it incurs for handling the business of the other departments. It is a scandal and a public disgrace that business should be done so loosely at Washington that no postoffice records are allowed to show what it actually costs to distribute the speeches of congressmen, the documents sent out from the Agricultural and other departments, and the millions of letters relating to Government business. It is just as much a matter of government expense to transport official documents as to transport troops. The War Department makes record of the cost of transporting troops, but no reports of the Post-Office Department indicate the cost of carrying the Government's own materials.—From "The Progress of the World," in the *American Review of Reviews* for January.

Saved at Death's Door.

The door of death seemed ready to open for Murray W. Ayers, of Transit Bridge, N. Y., when his life was wonderfully saved. "I was in a dreadful condition," he writes, "my skin was almost yellow; eyes sunken; tongue coated; emaciated from losing 40 pounds, growing weaker daily. Violent liver trouble pulling me down to death in spite of doctors. Then that matchless medicine—Electric Bitters—cured me. I regained the 40 pounds lost and now am well and strong." For all stomach, liver and kidney troubles they're supreme. 50c at R. S. McKinney's Drug Store, Taneytown, Md.

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Prohibition in the Northwest.

The prohibition fires which have been burning in the southland and in the middle western states have spread to the Pacific northwest, where the campaigns are already on in several states for state-wide prohibition.

In Oregon, for instance, 21 of the 33 counties are "dry," and over 100 precincts of other counties are without sa-

loons. In consequence of this situation, a majority of the members of the next legislature will probably come from territory where the people are opposed to the liquor traffic. Whatever the next legislature in Oregon may do, however, the people of the state are bound to have a vote on the prohibition question. If the legislature refuses to give them the opportunity, they will secure it by means of the initiative amendment to the constitution, which was responsible for securing the present local option law there.

In the state of Idaho, under the local option law which went into effect about 5 months ago, 15 of the 23 counties have abolished the saloon, and only 2 have voted to retain the saloon. The indications in Idaho are that these local option contests are simply preliminary campaigns to the fight for state-wide prohibition, which the people expect to secure next year.

In the state of Utah, furthermore, since August 1st. more than half the counties have abolished the saloons, and the campaign for state-wide prohibition at the next session of the Legislature has already been inaugurated.

If the liquorites know of any section of the country where the people are not playing smash with the liquor business the Issue would be glad to know where it is.

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Special Automobile Roads.

The general public seems to entertain the idea that special automobile roads, on which the speed enthusiast could defy death to his heart's content, should be considered by the autoist as a boon almost too good to be true. Yet, if a movement for such roads should become general in this country, the far-seeing automobile owners would be first to fight the idea.

This is now being clearly demonstrated in England where a movement is on foot for just such roads, to be built by the proceeds derived from speed fines. Such roads, if built, would be constructed as cheaply as possible, as far as the cost of right of way is concerned. They would be straight courses through the back doors of the villages, void of nearly all the touches of nature that make a country road beautiful, and sure to react upon the sane automobile owner whose real joy in the possession of an automobile is the opportunity such a means gives him for enjoying the country.

An army of auto owners is now fighting the idea of special roads because of these reasons, believing that, should they be built, the village and country authorities of England would expect their universal use and legislate in such a way that the beautiful winding country roads would be closed to automobile traffic at a speed of more than seven or eight miles an hour.—*December Popular Mechanics*.

Pneumonia Follows a Cold

but never follows the use of Foley's Honey and Tar, which stops the cough, heals the lungs, and expels the cold from your system. Take at first sign of cold and avoid a dangerous illness. R. S. McKinney, Druggist, Taneytown, Md.

A Glance Backward.

As you turn the corner into the new year, look back a minute over the road you have been traveling the past year. It seemed a long way when you started out, but it has been traversed at last. See the line of that road ever winding on, while twisting here and there. Do you remember that boggy place into which you strayed? How you promised yourself in your better moments, "I will turn over a new leaf." Have you been true to yourself? If not, once more before you step out into the pure New Year, renew your promises to your better nature.

Don't stray, but linger near the pleasant outlooks, keep near the bits of high ground where you can breathe purer air and can see afar off Heaven's high hills of blue, make the motive pure work for the object. Be diligent in seeking better ways and in twelve more short months, take another retrospective glance and how much pleased you will be with yourself, how much more of goodness and genuine worth this world would seem to possess.

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Miss Morning Glory.

Miss Morning Glory, awake all night. What did you do when the day was gone? "I watched the fireflies, light on light. Pricking the black of the quiet lawn. I saw the finger nail moon go down. And here and there in the world I heard Wind on the leaves like fairies' feet And near in the treetop a hidden bird Putting a question, drowsy sweet. Long after this the sky grew dim. And stars went flickering out as slow. As bedroom candles that burn too low. All the wee noises were hushed and still. Then I knew in my heart that night was done. And, sure enough, on the misty hill Flame of the bog red sun! There, little morning girl, run away. Now you see why I wake instead While you are lying asleep. Good day! It's time I went to bed!"

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Now take a saucer and burn a little incense in it and utter this command:

"Smoke, enter thou into yonder vase!"

Then you ask somebody to draw the handkerchief off the vase. To everybody's surprise, smoke will be seen gushing from the vase.

How is it done?

This way: Before exhibiting this trick you should rub the inside of the vase thoroughly with a sponge that has been dipped in powerful ammonia. On the inside of the cover you should place a few drops of muriatic acid or sulphuric acid. Now, when you cover the vase and have it taken into the corner the gases formed by these two chemicals unite and produce the appearance of smoke.

You must be very careful not to place the cover anywhere near the vase until the time comes for covering the vase and throwing the handkerchief over it or your trick will be spoiled.

ARITHMETIC PUZZLE.

Surprise Your Friends by Naming Numbers Thought Of.

Ask a friend to think of three different numbers under 10 and to write them down. Now tell him to multiply the first number he thought of by 2. Then multiply the result by 5. Then add 20. Then add the second number he thought of. Then add 5. Then multiply the result by 10. Then add his third number and subtract 250 from the result. Finally multiply his answer by 3 and tell you the result.

When he has done this you must divide his answer by 3, and the answer you will get will give you his three numbers in the order he chose them, and you can then tell him, much to his surprise, the numbers he thought of.

If you follow out this plan it will seem easier. Suppose he thought of 1, 2, and 3:

Well, 1x2 2

Multiply by 5 10

Add 20 30

Add second number, 2 32

Add 5 37

Multiply by 10 370

Add third number, 3 373

Subtract 250 123

Multiply by 3 369

Then you divide by 3 123

Which gives you his three numbers.... 123

Printers' Marks.

The interrogation mark or "point" (?) was originally a "q" and an "o," the latter placed under the former. These were simply the first and last letters of the Latin word "questio." So, too, with the sign of exclamation or interjection (!). In its original purity it was a combination of "I" and "o," the latter underneath, as in the question mark. The two stood for "Io," the Latin exclamation of joy. The paragraph mark is a Greek "p." The early printers employed a dagger to show that a word or sentence was objectionable and should be cut out.

The Wit of John.

Dot (meeting Johnny)—I have found you out.

Johnny—What am I?

Dot—Nobody.

Johnny—Goodness gracious! I am discovered!

Pa—You naughty boy, you've been fighting again!

Johnny—No, pa, I was only trying to keep a bad boy from hurting a little boy.

Pa—That was a noble act, my son. Who was the little boy?

Johnny—Me.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Lesson III.—First Quarter, For Jan. 16, 1910.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Text of the Lesson, Matt. iv, 12-25. Memory Verse, 23—Golden Text, Matt. iv, 16—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

Luke tells us that Jesus, being full of the Holy Ghost, was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, being forty days tempted of the devil, and that after the temptation Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee (Luke iv, 1, 2, 14). If we desire a sequence of the events in His life we may have to consider before His return to Galilee the whole of John i, 19, to iv, 54. But, confining ourselves as far as possible to our lesson portion, we should consider John's brief ministry and the reason of his imprisonment. He was filled with the Holy Spirit from his birth, and Jesus said of him, "Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist" (Luke i, 15; vii, 28). He was a Spirit filled, God sent man, in very truth the Lord's messenger. Yet his ministry was not what men count a success. Just a few months' public ministry, then imprisonment because he dared to rebuke sin in high places (Mark vi, 17-19), and then his martyrdom to please a wicked woman. But he was approved of God from first to last, and some time we'll understand. The devil could not conquer Jesus Christ, but he was permitted to torment and to kill His faithful messenger.

In connection with Jesus leaving Nazareth to make His home in Capernaum we must read Luke iv, 16-31, and note how, after He had in the power of the Spirit read the Scriptures and spoken in the synagogue at Nazareth, His own townsmen thrust Him out of the city and attempted to kill Him. Then He came and dwelt in Capernaum, and great was the privilege of that city: yet see His words concerning it in Matt. xi, 23, 24.

Notice the oft repeated phrase "that it might be fulfilled" (chapters i, 22; ii, 15, 23; iv, 14; vii, 17; xxi, 4; xxvi, 56; xxvii, 35, etc.) and remember His resurrection words in Luke xxiv, 44, "All things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses and in the prophets and in the Psalms concerning Me." The quotation in our lesson from Isa. ix, 1, 2, leads on to verses 6, 7, and the King and the kingdom. So also in Isa. xlii, 6, 7, where He is spoken of as a light of the gentiles, the context says that He shall not fail nor be discouraged till He have set judgment in the earth (verse 4), or, in other words, till His kingdom comes. The darkness is everywhere, and is increasing, and we are right into the apostasy of unbelief and the setting aside of the written word and the living word of which we have in the word been forewarned. "For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the people, but the Lord shall arise upon thee (Israel), and His glory shall be seen upon thee, and the nations shall come to thy light and kings to the brightness of thy rising" (Isa. ix, 1-3). Jesus preached, as John had done, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (iii, 2; iv, 17), but both John and Jesus were slain and the kingdom was postponed till the risen and ascended Christ shall come again in power and glory preceded by the real Elijah, as foretold by Malachi and confirmed by Jesus (Mal. iv, 5, 6; Matt. xvii, 10-13). Read the last passage most carefully and see how the real Elijah shall be to Christ's second coming what John was to his first coming. Acknowledging that John had come in the spirit and power of Elijah and had been rejected, He says in unmistakable words, "Elijah truly shall first come."

Meanwhile He is calling unto Himself out of the world those who are willing to remain in the world as His witnesses, counting all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Himself and the glory of His kingdom. If we will follow Him it must be by denial or renunciation of self and a willingness to die daily that His life may be seen in us (Matt. xvi, 24, 25; II Cor. iv, 11). But He does not call us to this unworldly life without setting before us the kingdom, the glory and the rewards (Matt. xvi, 27, to xvii, 9). When Peter on one occasion said, "Behold, we have forsaken all and followed Thee—what shall we have, therefore?" Jesus told him of a new earth with the Son of Man in the throne of His glory and the twelve apostles on twelve thrones ruling the twelve tribes of Israel (Matt. xix, 27, 28). But listen to the last of the seven promises to the overcomers in Rev. iii, 21, and think of being with Him on His throne. He told Abraham of the city which hath foundations; Moses had respect unto the recompense of the reward; Paul said that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us, but to the majority of believers today there seems to be no future glory worth mentioning, nothing and no one for which or for whom it is worth while to renounce the follies of this ungodly age and the pleasures of sin for a season. As Jesus went about all Galilee accompanied by His few faithful followers He preached the gospel of the kingdom and healed all manner of sickness and disease. He did not tell them to prepare to die, but told them of life eternal which He would freely give them, including the forgiveness of all their sins.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning Jan. 16, 1910.

Topic.—Candles under bushels.—Matt. v, 13-16. Comment by Rev. Sherman H. Doyle, D. D.

The topical inference is a paragraph from the Sermon on the Mount. In the preceding part of this sermon Christ has in what are commonly called "the beatitudes" described the characteristics of those who are members of the kingdom of heaven, here meaning His spiritual kingdom upon earth. In the paragraph before us He briefly, but most comprehensively, describes the relation of the members of His kingdom to the outside world under the two figures of salt and light. The figure of salt illustrates that His kingdom is to purify and preserve the world. But if the salt loses its savor it is good for nothing and is cast out and trodden under foot of men. In the east salt does lose its saltiness by exposure and by adulteration by mixing with other foreign substances and is then worse than worthless. So the church without the qualification described in the beatitudes can accomplish nothing so far as purifying and preserving the world are concerned. If it be Christless it will drive the world from Christ rather than to Him.

The second figure, that of light, is more pertinent to the subject suggested. The spiritual kingdom, or, rather its members, are "the light of the world." * * * Men do not light a candle [lamp] and put it under a bushel [an eastern measure holding about a peck], but on the stand [lamp stand], and it giveth light to all that are in the house. Therefore let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father, which is in heaven."

Candles or lamps under bushels! What supreme folly! Why light a lamp to put it under a bushel? The bushel would but hide its light and therefore waste the oil that was being burned. Why should the disciples of Christ, therefore, try to hide the light of their godly lives and good works? Who thus would be led to God? No one, for light, to lead, must be seen. A covered light house in time of storm would save no shipwrecked vessel. Nor do men act so foolishly in earthly matters. Lighthouse keepers see that their lights are shining their best in the midst of a storm. They desire above all things to turn approaching vessels from the rocks and shoals and direct them to a safe harbor. Yet many Christians put their candles under bushels. Some do so because of a false modesty. They may well keep the light from shining upon them, but never fear to let it shine to the glory of God. Others may have some doubts and are afraid to speak out and act out for God. Others still have a misunderstanding of Christ's words, "Let not thy right hand know what thy left hand doeth." In this instance Christ was warning them against the selfish display of the Pharisees, but to ascribe our good works to God's grace and to let them shine for Him is a duty and not a deception. Let your light shine to the glory of God.

BIBLE READINGS.

Ps. lxxvi, 1-4; Ps. cvii, 1-8; Isa. lli, 7-10; Jonah i, 1-17; John i, 1-5; Amos vi, 1-6; John xii, 42, 43; Matt. xxvi, 57-75; I Kings xix, 1-8; II Chron. xvi, 1-10.

A Road Out of Ruts.

One good way to get out of ruts in Christian Endeavor meetings is to break away from the regular topic once in awhile and introduce some other subject which may be treated by one or by several Endeavorers, by the pastor or by a stranger, according to circumstances. There are interesting themes by the score. Try a discussion or even a description of the institutional church and its work. Get some one from the Y. M. C. A. to tell about the work and plans of that institution. Make a special meeting to discuss some part of Sheldon's "In His Steps." Try also national evenings, if you will, in socials. Thus you may have a Scottish night, with a social run along the lines of a Scottish soiree, the particulars of which any Scotchman will be happy to give. An English night may be tried, with English refreshments; so also a German night, a Dutch night, a French night, and so on. If socials be impracticable, then have a Scottish night with Scotch subjects. Take, for example, "Christ's Scottish ambassadors, Knox, Livingstone, Drummond." Luther's life will fit into the German night and give ample opportunity for stereopticon views. Plan new things. Keep your eyes open for ideas. They are floating in the air all around you. Look for them.—Rev. R. P. Anderson in Christian Endeavor World.

Secretary Shaw's Surprise.

A pleasant surprise was given to General Secretary Shaw by the Endeavorers and friends of his home town, Ballardvale, Mass., just before his departure for India and around the world. Not only the young people and the Juniors, but the Sunday school as well, gathered at a reception in his honor, and a beautiful jeweled Christian Endeavor pin, together with a sum of money, was presented to him as a token of the esteem and affection in which he is held by his friends and neighbors.

Hymn For a C. E. Consecration Service.

"MY VOW IN PRAYER,"
Blessed Master, I have promised:
Hear my solemn vow:
Take this pledge of mine and seal it
Here and now.
Strength of mine is only weakness,
Thine is strength indeed.
Strengthen me in fullest measure
As I need.
Let no worldly cares nor pleasures
Call my heart away.
Save me, Lord, and keep me faithful
Day by day.
—Dr. C. A. Dickinson in Australian Christian Endeavor Link.

BETWEEN THE LEAVES

The Will That Was Left by Eccentric Old John Leyden.

By JENNIE E. SARGENT.

The good people of Leyden were wrought up to a fine pitch of righteous indignation, but if old Henry Leyden, three days in his grave, could have heard the comments which followed the reading of his will he would probably have chuckled just as he had done in bygone days when his neighbors had discussed his domestic or business affairs.

The will was a marvel of simplicity, and Judge Barrow declared that no court on earth would set it aside. Nevertheless the women who loved Lucy Leyden for her gentle disposition and kindly heart openly grieved. The men who had admired John Willoughby's brave struggle against heavy odds swore at the deceased roundly for a stubborn meddler with fate. Even Miss Polly Fowler, who had taught them both at the little red schoolhouse, had been heard to remark in a tone not wholly devoid of fear at her own "brashness," that, while she didn't wish anybody bad luck, she shouldn't shed tears if she heard Henry Leyden had met his "come-uppance" in the next world.

But the fact remained that the dead man had bequeathed his stock in the Decatur and Leydenville road to his nephew, Ben Morris; his stock in the Leydenville bank to a distant home for cripples (Henry Leyden had been afflicted from birth with a clubfoot), and, after a few scattered bequests to distant relatives, to Lucy he had left only the old homestead and all personal property found thereon at the time of his death.

This at least assured Lucy and her mother the same refuge that had been open to them ten years before, when George Leyden went the way of prodigal sons, leaving the two women to the mercies of his crochety but wealthy brother. But the income that had supported the homestead died with its owner, and the question of how it was to be kept up agitated all Leydenville.

Lucy and John Willoughby had been engaged for four years, but the girl's uncle had stood firmly against the marriage. John had a mother and two sisters dependent upon him. He could not add to this burden, and the shrewd banker proposed to adopt no nephew-in-law, however worthy the young man might be.

The two young people did not attempt to veil their disappointment, but they had more serious matters on hand. The handsome house, tucked in the rapidly growing business section of the town, yielded not a cent of income. Mrs. Leyden was one of the clinging, dependent sort of women, and Lucy knew that she must face the problem alone.

John suggested that they sell the place and, taking a small cottage, live off the income of a safe, conservative investment of the balance. But Lucy protested against the sacrifice. She knew that it was her aunt's wish that she should continue to occupy the old house.

Lucy thought they might take roomers and boarders, but John pictured the pert young clerks from the freight offices or the dapper youths from the "Boston stoor" waited upon by his Lucy, and the plan died a violent death. It was Mrs. Leyden—lump, phlegmatic Mrs. Leyden—who finally solved the problem.

"You ain't thought of the library, Lucy. You remember how your Uncle Henry always talked about it. He had been years collecting those old books. Lots of them go as far back as the Revolution, and some of the oldest were printed in England before there was any America. Don't you remember how he used to walk up and down this room and shake his head at the books, saying, 'Emmy, there's thousands in this room—thousands?' I know he paid ridiculous prices for some of them. Maybe there's others as daffy about old books as he was."

John's face brightened, and he took both of Lucy's hands in his.

"That's it, Lucy. We'll have a buyer come up from the city and look them over. There may be a fortune in them, and you need money more than those dusty old things."

Lucy did not answer at once. There was a strong strain of sentiment in her nature, and she loved especially this old library where her uncle had spent his last days.

Nevertheless that night she indited a letter to a noted collector in Boston and two days later received a note stating that Mr. Henry Leyden's library was famous enough to warrant his sending a representative to Leydenville. His buyer would arrive the following morning.

And that night came the deluge. Lucy was "sitting up" with Mrs. Henderson's little boy, who had typhoid fever. John was to call for her at 12, when another neighbor would take up the task.

At 10 the fire bell rang. Something told Lucy it was her home, and she sprang to her feet. It was a half mile run, and when she reached there, breathless, the bucket brigade, enforced by the one engine the town could boast, had done its worst. The parlor was blackened and water soaked, the dining room was charred, and the library? Lucy pushed past sympathetic neighbors and stared wildly into the room. The shelves were bare!

The world seemed to spin around her, and out of the mist came John's voice.

"Better come over to Dobson's, Lucy.

Your mother's just come out of a faint."

Mechanically she walked with him down the narrow path, away from the ruin that had wrung her heart. Finally she could stand it no longer. She burst into sobs.

"John, John, the books are gone too!"

John put his arm about her. "No, they're not, little girl. They're in Dobson's bazaar."

Lucy broke off in the midst of a sob and stared at him in the moonlight. "It's a fact, dear. When the fire got beyond your mother and me the books were the first thing we thought of saving. Dobson's bazaar was standing in his barn, and we ran it right through the fence, up against the library window, and your mother shoved the books into the hearse as fast as I piled them out to her. Jimmy Dobson helped too."

Lucy burst into laughter. The absurdity of the situation roused her from her misery. The Dobson undertaking establishment was next door to their home, and the hearse, the only one in town, was the glory of its owner. "I hope you didn't hurt it," she murmured.

"That's not what's worrying me. It's how much insurance your uncle carried on the house and whether we spoiled the chances of selling the books. Some of them got wet."

Lucy and her mother remained that night with the hospitable Dobsons and the next morning, with John, went out to look at the books and ascertain the damage before the buyer appeared on the scene. They made an odd picture, the anxious group pulling the old volumes through the end doors of the gloomy hearse. Suddenly Jimmy Dobson, who by reason of his brave conduct the night before was privileged to join the party, gave a long, low whistle.

"Gee, look at the money!"

In one hand he held a worn leather bound volume, in the other a hundred dollar bill.

Mrs. Leyden clutched her daughter's arm and stared at the wonderful greenback.

"Emmy, there's thousands in it—thousands!" Those were his very words. And he didn't mean books. He meant money, real money. It was one of his queer ideas to hide it there."

When the book buyer arrived he was graciously received by Lucy in the Dobson parlor. There was a suspicion of happy tears in her eyes when she told him the offer was withdrawn. She would reimburse him for his railroad fare and asked him to accept any volume he might choose in return for the trouble she had caused him, whereupon that gentleman selected one of the rarest books in the collection and departed with the mental comment that women were certainly most changeable creatures.

For how could he know that between the leaves of that collection four excited people had found that old Henry Leyden was no false prophet? There were thousands in it. Neither did the good people of Leydenville know just how many bills had been discovered on that eventful morning, but this did not prevent their rejoicing greatly over the turn in events or their attending in a body the wedding of John and Lucy, which six months later was duly solemnized in the First church, the largest edifice in Leydenville.

Printers' Errors.

A certain great authority on Jerusalem was in the habit of contracting the name of the city in his manuscripts to "Jerus." In one of his books upon the subject he described the sensations which attended his approach to the famous city. After reaching the summit of a hill "the glorious panorama of Jerusalem," he wrote, "was spread before us." Owing to the usual contraction, the genial compositor rendered this "the glorious panorama of Jones was spread before us." A misprint which will always bear repetition is that concerned with the sailor's wife who wished it to be announced, "A sailor going to sea, his wife desires the prayers of the congregation." This got itself rendered into "A sailor going to see his wife desires the prayers of the congregation." Before we condemn the compositor who perpetrated this, however, we must bear in mind the possible nature of his own domestic relations. Another excellent one is that of the editor who wrote, "When Mrs. Jones lectured on 'Dress' she wore nothing that was remarkable." How the compositor came to the conclusion that this should read "When Mrs. Jones lectured on 'Dress' she wore nothing—that was remarkable" is a mystery.—P. T.'s London Weekly.

Violated the Rules.

There is a park policeman in the service of a certain zoo who is quite a joker in his way, as is evidenced by an occurrence in the vicinity of a large bears' den in the zoo, which lies at a lower level than the grounds about it and which is surrounded by a railing. One day a visitor while leaning over this rail lost his balance and fell into the pit. He fell at the side of a bear, which at once seized the intruder's leg in its mouth and would have proceeded to crunch the same at his leisure had not help immediately been summoned. When the keepers had got the visitor out of the bears' den he was not much injured, but, naturally enough, pretty well frightened. His fright was increased by the action of the policeman, who stepped up to him, saying:

"You are under arrest."

"Arrest?" gasped the unlucky one.

"What for?"

"For violating the rules of the park," said the policeman, pointing to the sign over the railing. "It is positively forbidden to feed the animals."—Harper's Magazine.

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Soon after the battle of White Plains, N. Y., while the American forces were drifting toward North Castle, the lone occupant of a house, one of the Pierce families, on the Bedford road at Pleasantville, N. Y., looking out of the window, descried a posse of Hessian soldiery coming up the pike. Having just placed a number of loaves of bread in the old Dutch oven, she bethought herself that it would be well to secrete them until the soldier band passed. She at once removed the loaves, which had already become heated, and ran up in the attic and placed them between two feather beds. The soldiers arrived in due time and soon appropriated everything removable. After their departure the housewife remembered the bread exodus, ran up the stairs, and, lo, the bread was done to the "queen's taste!"—Magazine of American History.
Figure It Out.
A beggar boy asked an old gentleman in the street for sixpence.
"What will you do with it if I give you one?" asked the old gentleman.
"Turn it into ninepence quick," replied the boy.
"How?"
"Give me the sixpence and I'll soon show you."
The boy got the money, darted off to a baker's shop and bought a three penny loaf, with which he returned to the old gentleman and handed him back 3 pennies.
"How's this? You said you would make the sixpence into ninepence."
"So I have. The baker's got threepence, you've got threepence, and I've got a threepenny loaf. That's ninepence."—Pearson's Weekly.
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Brief Items of Local News of Special Interest to Our Home Readers.

Twenty-seven guests visited Mr. and Mrs. David Ohler, on York St., on New Year's day.

Mrs. Sue Crapster has returned home from a visit to relatives in Baltimore and Washington.

Miss Nellie Yount, of Philadelphia, visited her sister, Mrs. Charles Kephart, the first of the week.

Mrs. J. W. Payne and Mrs. Elmer E. Black, of Thurmont, spent part of this week with Mrs. E. C. Sauerhammer.

We furnish promissory notes, for sales, free of charge, when asked for, and when the printing for the sale is done at this office.

Communion services will be held in the Grace Reformed church, Sunday morning. Preparatory service, Saturday afternoon, previous, at 2 o'clock.

Are there enough persons in Taneytown interested in establishing a public library, to make the effort worth while? If so, read the short article on first page. The RECORD will help.

There will be a meeting of the Fire Company, this Friday evening, at 7 o'clock. All members are requested to be present as the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place.

Messrs Hesson and Hill left, the first of this week, to begin their duties as legislators, but returned on Wednesday evening. They will return on Monday, when the actual work of the session will begin.

Rev. Henry Branch, D. D., of Baltimore, will preach in the Piney Creek Presbyterian church, next Sunday morning, and in the evening he closes the series of Week of Prayer sermons, in the Reformed church.

We have received extra large figure calendars, this week, from Wm. E. Burke, agent for the York City Laundry, and from Wm. Small, bookbinder, of York, Pa. These calendars are especially appreciated for office use.

The Editor of the RECORD attended the meeting in Baltimore, this week, at which was formed the Maryland Press Association. The Association is non-political, and will confine its work largely to the improvement of business methods.

In the near future a lecturer is likely to come to Taneytown in the interest of the split log drag. Perhaps it will be Mr. King, the inventor of the drag, which is usually spoken of as the King split log drag. We will give proper notice of the event, later.

Through erroneous information, we recently mentioned the visit to Taneytown of "Mr. Chas. R. Angell and wife, of Dillsburg, Pa." We regret the necessity of making the correction, both for our sake and Mr. Angell's, but, for the present, "and wife" must be omitted.

Mr. Jacob Vance Danner, who lived in Taneytown, with his family, about twenty years ago, died on Dec. 11, at his home in Somerville, Mass., in his 85th year. He leaves a widow, one son and two daughters. His widow is a half sister of Mr. James Neeley, of this place.

Miss Ruth Elliot has sufficiently recovered her health to return to Raritan, N. J., and try school work again. She left, on Saturday, accompanied by her brother, Frank H., her sister, Miss Margaret, and Miss Beulah Englar; the three young ladies are engaged in teaching in adjoining towns—Raritan, Somerville and Bound Brook.

Mr. and Mrs. David S. Clousher celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary, January 4, 1910, at their home near Taneytown, and entertained at dinner the following guests: V. J. Clousher and wife; R. W. Clingan and wife; Mrs. Phoebe Koons; P. W. Brown and daughter, North Dakota; Wm. Tobias Brown and daughter, of Littlestown, Pa.; Mrs. Janet Shriver; Misses Joab R. Clousher and Mary Shriver; Messrs Verley, Preston, Cover and Melvin Clousher.

Washington Camp No. 2, P. O. S. of A., elected its officers for the ensuing year as follows: Pres., Thomas Clingan; Vice-Pres., LeRoy Smith; M. of F., L. D. Reid; R. S., John J. Reid; F. S., Geo. E. Kontz; Treas., C. O. Fuss; Con., Oliver Lambert; Ins., C. A. Legore; Guard, Ernest Hyser; Trustees, C. E. Ridinger, P. B. Englar, Daniel H. Fair, B. O. Slonaker and George E. Kontz; Janitor, Sherman Gilds. The annual installation of officers and banquet, will be held on January 13.

Postmaster R. S. McKinney slipped on the ice on the front steps of his home, Thursday afternoon, and fell to the pavement, breaking his left arm near the shoulder. The fall was a very heavy one—the height of six or seven steps—and the break is necessarily painful. Mr. McKinney had gone down the steps, safely, and returned to the top to give instructions about having the ice removed, but on the second trip received the fall; all of which proves that because you can do a thing once, without harm, it is not necessarily true that you can keep on doing it—a bit of philosophy which contains more truth than pain-killer.

Master David, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. J. Wolf, is again seriously ill.

Lawyer Wm. A. Golden, the well known native Taneytown, who presided over the Farmers' Reunion here in the summer of 1908, last Monday was unanimously elected President of Pittsburgh's (new) Uptown Board of Trade; the 17th. body of that kind there in the Allied Boards Council. For 15 years he has had home and latterly property-interests in that particular, widespread section; on the eastern border of the commercial heart of the Steel City. As it was altogether unsought and unexpected by him, the honor was a gratifying testimonial.

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Surprise Social at Keymar.

(For the Record.)

Quite an enjoyable surprise was given to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Stonieser, at their home, at Keymar, Md., on Monday, Dec. 27, it being their 33rd. wedding anniversary.

The hour had been set for 10 a. m., at which time Mr. Albert Stonieser and family, of Middleburg, arrived. Mrs. Stonieser was very much concerned over the arrival of five guests, and no preparations for dinner. The snow drifts detained the body of guests from Keysville, but they arrived about 12 o'clock. A grand dinner consisting of all the Christmas dainties was then served. A number of invited guests were unable to reach here, but those present were: Oliver Stonieser and wife; W. F. Cover and wife; R. W. Galt and wife, and Mrs. M. Dorsey, all of Keymar, Md.; Mrs. Lydia Stansbury, Alfred Stonieser and wife; Mahlon Stonieser, wife, son and daughter; Wm. Stonieser and wife; Geo. Ritter, wife, and daughter, and Wm. Devilliss and wife, all of Keysville, Md.; Miss Carrie Stonieser, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Chas. S. Gardner, of Blue Ridge Summit, Pa.

The guests enjoyed the day immensely and plans were then made to meet at Mr. Cover's residence, on Wednesday evening, to attend Mrs. Galt's surprise party.

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A Family Reunion.

(For the Record.)

A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ohler, on Friday, Dec. 31. A dinner consisting of oysters, chicken, cake, ice cream and many other things which go to make up an appetizing meal, was given in honor of their children and grand-children. Those present were:

Jacob Ohler and wife; Augustus Ohler, of Hammond, Ill.; George Ohler, wife and daughters, Mary and Edith; Jones Ohler, wife and children, Ruth, Florence and Earnest; of Harney; Harry Baker, wife and children, Pauline, Jones and Guy; Grace and John Cornell, of New Windsor; Aaron Veant and wife, and Mrs. Mary Hockensmith.

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"I guess I can manage it if I stand up."


"Another lad at this same dinner ate so much that he couldn't walk. When it was decided that he would have to be carried out, he issued the warning:

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"I asked a third lad, as the fruit and nuts came on, if he had made a good dinner.

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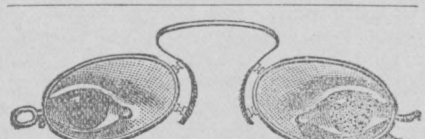
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12 SHOTES for sale, by DAVID NUSBAUM, Otter Dale.

SPLENDID! Isn't it?—The price of eggs. Make your hens lay by feeding them Pratts, or Barkers Powders. We have both—all kinds of poultry feed, too. —REINDOLLAR BROS. & Co. 1-8-3t

A SHOOTING MATCH will be held at my residence, near Keysville, Jan. 22, at 12 o'clock. Will have Clay targets, 16 yds., also still targets, at 20 yds. distance. 2 1/2 lbs. powder and 1 oz. No. 8 shots furnished on ground, the prizes will be Turkeys, etc. —GEO. W. ROOP.

BROOMS.—Bring me your Broom Corn, and I will clean seed from corn free of charge, on all brooms I make. New Brooms for sale to merchants. —C. S. KOONS, Middleburg. 1-8-3t, eow

I STILL HAVE a small number of select Columbian Wyandotte Cockerels, for sale. Speak quick, if you desire one of these handsome birds. —MRS. D. C. NUSBAUM.

DWELLING AND LOT, at Private Sale, on Frederick St., suitable for workshop. Possession, April 1. —P. J. FINK, Taneytown. 8-2t

TWO FARMS for Sale, near Marker's Mill. Apply to THOMAS KEEFER. 8-3t

FOR SALE.—One Second-hand Portland Cutter.—L. K. BIRELY, Middleburg.

FOR RENT.—Part of my House on Middle St. Possession given at once. Apply to MRS. H. E. WEANT. 12-25-tf

HOUSE FOR RENT, possession at any time, (the Slangenbaum house). Apply to H. J. HILTEBRICK, Taneytown. 12-18-4t

FOR SALE.—Registered English Berkshire Flgs, either sex. Prices reasonable. Also a fine 9 mos. old Jersey Bull, one of the best I have ever bred. Will sell him cheap as I need his room in the stable. A good one at a bargain price. R. C. NORMAN, Taneytown, Md. 12-18-4t

WANTED.—Good fresh Cows for cash. Drop me a card and I will call. —CHAS. E. OWINGS, Fritzburg. 12-18-4t

GLOVES! The largest and best line of all. —REINDOLLAR BROS. & Co. 12-18-4t

NOTICE.—The hardware business of the late M. H. Reindollar, is now managed and being run by the two sons of the above mentioned. We will have a first-class store in every respect and will carry a full line of hardware. Every purchase must be satisfactory to the buyer. Give us a chance. —REINDOLLAR BROS. & Co. 12-18-4t

DENTISTRY.—DR. A. W. SWEENEY, of Baltimore, will be at the Hotel Bankard, Taneytown, from Jan. 10 to 15, 1910, and thereafter the second week of each month. 12-11-5t

PRIVATE SALE. The undersigned will sell either one of the following properties, located at York Road, Md.: The house in which he now resides, consisting of 2 acres of ground, a 14-room Dwelling, Stable, Washhouse, Woodshed, Smokehouse, etc. All in first-class repair. Possession at once. Or, the new house recently built adjoining above property, containing 1/2 acre of land, new 8 room dwelling, large Stable and Slaughter house combined, 30x59 ft. This is the best finished property in York Road. Never been occupied. Possession at once. —WM. F. COVER, York Road, Carroll Co., Md. 10-30-tf

FOR RENT.—My House on farm near Taneytown; to man with trade or no trade, at \$5 00 per month. —L. W. MEHRING. 12-18-4t

GASOLINE ENGINE and Automobile Supplies, strictly high grade, lowest prices, at ANGEL'S GARAGE, Midleburg Md. 12-4-3m,

NEW YEAR PRICES — AT — Snider's Bargain Store

Here is the Place to Get Just What You Want!

Clothing and Overcoats.

Our entire line of Clothing and Overcoats at cost and less. Now is your chance to get the greatest values ever offered, as they must go.

Men's Underwear.

Our regular 50c heavy fleece lined Underwear, at 35c; our regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 wool Underwear, for men, at 69c.

Gloves, Gloves.

Gloves for men, boys, ladies and girls. All kinds, at away down prices.

Horse Blankets and Lap Robes.

An extra large line at special cut prices.

Boots and Shoes.

Don't forget we are headquarters for anything you want in the Shoe line. Felt Boots of all kinds; Lumbermen's Socks; Leather Boots for men and boys at cost.

You will find great bargains in each department in our Bargain Store now.

Thanking you for past patronage, and soliciting a continuance of same, and wishing you all a prosperous New Year, I remain, Your friend,

M. R. SNIDER,
1-1-tf HARNEY, MD.

Lost Certificate.

The undersigned having had stolen Demand Certificate No. 53, dated August 31, 1909, deposited in The Carroll County Savings Bank of Uniontown, for \$17.00, hereby warns individuals against negotiation of same.

Application has been made for the issue of a duplicate.

1-8-3t ALICE FLEAGLE.

Notice to Tax Collectors

Owing to the unusually large amount of overdue and unpaid county taxes, the Board of County Commissioners for Carroll County, on Monday, January 3, 1910, gave to each tax collector of the county the following notice, to-wit:

To the Tax Collectors of Carroll County, Maryland:

The law requires every collector to pay over the amount of county taxes to be collected by him, within six months after receiving a copy of the assessment. See Code of Public General Laws, Art. 81, Sec. 47.

And all state taxes must be paid over by the first day of April, thereafter. See Sec. 48.

The law plainly means that the collector must pay over the taxes at the times specified, whether he has collected them or not, otherwise his bond may be sued.

The Board of County Commissioners of Carroll County, Maryland, without waiving any of its legal rights, hereby notifies every tax collector to pay over to the proper authorities, all taxes due and in arrears on or before April 1st., next.

Any collector who fails in this requirement, may thereby compel the said County Commissioners to bring suit upon his bond.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners.

Per GEORGE W. BROWN,
January 3, 1910. President.
1-8-2t.

"Taneytown's Leading Fashion Store."

18c Coffee, 15c Per Pound

Koons Bros.

DEPARTMENT STORE

TANEYTOWN, MD.

For 1910

We Have Resolved

Sincerely, Determinately, and Positively,

to give you the greatest measure of satisfaction.

To Satisfy You at Any Cost.

Our policy and duty command us to treat you courteously, liberally and satisfactorily.

Our Prices will be Lower than all Competition.

Guaranteed Furs.

Lowest Prices Ever Known.

When you buy Furs from Koons Bros., you take no chances. You know the store, you know its reputation and you know that you are sure of low prices and absolute satisfaction. All Furs and Muffs on hand will be sold at

Cost and Under Cost.

Misses' Coats.

All Misses' Coats on hand now will be sold

UNDER COST.

Don't wait—come and pick out your choice.



Women's Suits.

Women's Tailor-built Suits, desirable shades; long coats and pleated skirts; must be seen to be appreciated.

\$12.50 Brown Suits, \$9.75
\$17.00 Blue Suits, \$11.95
\$12.00 Brown and Blue Stripe, \$8.50
\$11.00 Blue Suits, \$7.75

Women's Long Coats

\$5.00 Brown & Black Stripe, \$2.98
\$12.00 Light Coat, \$8.50
\$19.00 Plush Coat, \$14.75
\$10.75 Green Striped Rain Coat, \$8.95

Men's Suits, Overcoats and Rain Coats,

Positively at Cost.

Ladies' Underwear,

15c.
25c Ribbed Pants and Vests.

Ladies' \$1.25 Shoes, \$1.12.

Dress Shoe—Patent Tip.

Ladies' Fleece Lined Shoes, \$1.25

Apron Gingham, 5c Yard.

Ladies' Fleece Lined Hose, 10c

\$6.00 Ladies' White Sweater, \$4.75.

Men's Felt Boots,

\$1.98.
Regular \$2.25 Grade.

\$1.60 Ladies' Heavy Shoes, \$1.40

Plain toe or tip; heavy soles.

9c Outing Flannel, 7c

Skirt Patterns, 19c

Children's Ribbed Union Suits, 19c

Men's Heavy Winter Caps, 25c

60c Bed Blankets,

39c.

Ladies' and Misses' Rubber Boots.

Bleached Sheets, 60c

Good quality bleached Muslin Sheets, 81x90.

Women's Extra High Cut Ken-Rubbers, 45c

Men's Heavy Fleece Lined Underwear, 39c.

Ball-Band Felt Boots, Rubber Boots, Rubber Shoes

Lumbermen's Socks, &c. Large variety. Come and look over our stock.



GOING SOME

Every person who dropped in and saw my line of Cutters, said: "You are certainly 'going some.'"

When you see the way they are selling, you will repeat it. You see them behind a horse, and you want to "go some" yourself.

Only Six Remain Unsold.

One Speeder, Carmine gear, black body, 18 oz. All-wool Upholstering.

„ Semi-Speeder, painting Royal blue, gilt striped, 16oz All-wool Upholst'g

„ „ Carmine gear, black body, Red Moquette Plush Upholstering

„ „ Portland, painting Carmine, black striped, Red Car Plush Upholstering

Two Portland, painting Brewster green, Green Cloth Upholstering

Spring backs and seats, Shafts are heel braced and leather trimmed (not oilcloth)

Prices from \$25.00 to \$50.00.

They are all choice, well built, and you ought to at least have a look at them before another snow-flake falls.

Poultry Supplies Reduced.

For the month of January, all 25c Size Poultry Powders will be reduced to 20c. The well known brands in stock—

Lee's Egg Maker; Magic Poultry Tonic; Dr. Hess' Poultry Pan-a-ce-a, and Nonpareil Poultry Food.

100-lb Sack of Oyster Shells, 55c.