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## THE PARCELS POST

**Eleven Pounds the Limit of Weight to be Carried**

### FACTS THAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

New Law Provides Seventy-two Inches in Length and Girth as Largest Parcel to be Accepted for Mailing

Information concerning the establishment of the parcels post system in postoffices throughout the United States on and after January 1 is eagerly sought and the newspapers are imparting the same so far as they are able. Installation of parcels post will be a gigantic undertaking, but it will be started the first of next month without fail according to advice received from the department at Washington by postmasters in all first and second class offices. The Genoa office is in the latter class and plans are already under way in contemplation of the new method of carrying parcels.

It is nothing short of amazement to think of getting the system started at one and at the same time in 60,000 postoffices, of supplying new scales to the number of more than 100,000, of preparing maps for every post-office and every rural mail carrier in the entire country and of issuing a special parcels postage stamp which alone will carry parcels post mail. But the question as to how the people are to make use of it, rather than statistics of its installation, are matters every postmaster is called on to answer. And these questions relate to many things that come up every day during this period before the system will be put into operation. Naturally the inquiries are uppermost in the minds of the people who expect to use the service and they want to know as much about it before hand as possible.

"What may we send?" Anything embraced in the present merchandise or fourth class of mail matter and all other articles including farm or factory product which is not embraced by law in either of those classes which now include sealed letters, newspapers, magazines and the like.

As it has been stated, one cannot send a horse and buggy or a piano thru the parcels post, but he might send them if he mails them in sections. There are restrictions of course, but the new post will admit of a surprising assortment of articles both animate and inanimate. Poultry, live stock, eggs, butter, vegetables and so on with a weight limit of eleven pounds are available. Articles must not be of a character perishable within a period reasonably required for transportation and delivery.

"What is the weight and other limits?" Uncle Sam will carry about everything provided it can be done up in a package not exceeding eleven pounds in weight or greater than seventy-two inches in length and girth combined, nor of a form likely to injure a postal employee or damage other mail matter. The least weight permissible as parcels post is four ounces.

"What are the rates?" Applying the scale of rates to a local case for example the rates would be as follows: A person in Genoa can send a parcel to anyone in Genoa or on any of the rural routes running out of Harvard for five cents for the first pound, one cent for each additional pound or a total of fifteen cents for the eleven pounds. Anyone living on a rural route or making use of a rural route can send parcels to anyone in Harvard at the same rate.

## ORGANIZE NEW COMPANY

Citizens of South Part of County Incorporate New Telephone Company at Shabbona

With a whirl of enthusiasm that hardly betokens the great undertaking ahead of the infant corporation, a meeting was held at Shabbona Saturday which gave great vim and vigor to the Inter-township Telephone Company, says the Hinckley Review. Representatives were present from all the townships interested. Prominent men of every locality were there to help with their presence and their signatures, and the make-up of the assembly was the strongest testimonial of all that there is a real telephone crisis in DeKalb county and that there is a condition that needs redress. The high cost of living must be reduced, and the new telephone company will do its part if possible.

The charter has been issued by the secretary of state, and the full amount of the capitalization was subscribed Saturday—\$5,000. This was necessary before any organization steps could be taken under the charter. The company elected officers as follows:

President—Dr. E. J. Brewer, Shabbona.

Secretary-Treasurer—Alber Larson, Shabbona.

Manager—Charles Schermmerhorn, Shabbona.

Board of Directors—James Hastie, A. J. Coster, Hinckley; Dr. Wilkinson and Mr. McDonald of Waterman; Brewer and Larson of Shabbona; G. B. Foster of Lee.

Four hundred shares of stock have been sold, each share holder becoming a subscriber, and user of the telephone. It is the plan of the manager to sell sufficient stock to absolutely assure the completion of the deal before the construction work is commenced, and so it will probably be spring before any real connections are made over the new phones. Some reports have gone out that building will commence at once, but since the Saturday meeting this report has been contradicted by the officers. Every precaution will be taken to make it a thoroly safe and business like concern.

The Eastern Star will give a dance at the Masonic hall this (Friday) evening.

Persons living within fifty miles of Harvard, scale measure, may send parcels post to anyone in Harvard for five cents for the first pound, three cents for each additional pound or a total of thirty-five cents for eleven pounds. The same rate of course applies to shipments made from Harvard or the rural routes to persons within the fifty mile zone. Larger zones with the rates are as follows:

Within	1st lb.	add'l lb.	11 lbs.
150 miles	.06	.04	.46
300 miles	.07	.05	.57
600 miles	.08	.06	.68
1,000 miles	.09	.07	.79
1,400 miles	.10	.09	1.00
1,800 miles	.11	.10	1.11
Over 1,800 miles	.12	.12	1.32

"Will ordinary postage stamps carry parcels post?"

No. The government will issue an entirely new series which will be supplied postoffices and rural carriers. Every package intended for the parcels post must bear the name and address of sender.

"Will there be any indemnity for parcels lost or damaged in transportation?"

Yes. The department has not fully completed the indemnification plan. Articles lost or damaged will be paid for by the government.

## PHONE WAR IS OVER

Business Men of Genoa Accept Proposition of Telephone Co.

### WILL CONTRACT FOR A YEAR

No Charge for Re-Installing Phones Removed Owing to Controversy—Free Toll to Sycamore—5 Cents to DeKalb

The telephone war is over and Manager Butcher of the Genoa exchange is now busy replacing the instruments which were removed as a result of the recent toll charge order. Over 100 phones were ordered out in Genoa alone during the past two weeks, most of these being in the city and included nearly every business phone on the street.

The proposition made by Mr. Joslyn last week at once met with favor, it being a little better than enjoyed before the war commenced. Genoa may pay toll of five cents to DeKalb, but the rate to other towns in the south part of the county has been reduced five cents, so that the balance is somewhat in favor of the subscribers.

Following is the schedule as presented to the business men at a meeting held in The Republican Journal office, and guaranteed by the local manager, Clarence Butcher, for one year under contract.

Free toll—Sycamore, Esmond, Fairdale, Kirkland and Kingston. Five cent toll—Maple Park, DeKalb and Malta. Ten cent toll—Hinckley, Waterman, Shabbona and Lee. Fifteen cent toll—Sandwich and Stonauk.

It is also stipulated in the peace negotiations that the subscribers who took their phones out as a result of the recent "unpleasantness" may have the instruments put back in place without additional installing charges.

The people of Kingston have been waiting to hear what disposition Genoa made of Mr. Joslyn's proposal, and those towns will now no doubt accept the same terms and declare the war ended.

If the matter just disposed of has done nothing else it has brought the business men of Genoa to a realization of the fact that a permanent association is needed in Genoa. This feeling was predominant at the meeting Monday and as a result of the sentiment shown there steps were taken to organize. A committee has been appointed to draw up a constitution and by-laws and recommend officers to take the lead in affairs. The electric light proposition was freely discussed at the meeting and the association when organized will take up the franchise matter with the city council, assisting that body in any way possible and giving the aldermen a concrete idea of what the people really want in the way of an ordinance for the company.

### Farmer Killed

John Silver, a farmer living in New Milford township, died in St. Anthony hospital at Rockford, shortly after five o'clock on Friday evening as the result of injuries received when his team ran away after becoming frightened at an automobile that whizzed by as he was about to alight from his wagon on Seventh street near Fourteenth avenue. There were several witnesses to the accident, including Miss Minnie Tureson, a niece of the unfortunate man. As the auto passed the horses jumped to one side and Mr. Silver was thrown on his head.

## SOME CORN

Marengo Farmer is Husking and Marketing 9000 Bushels this Year

One of the busiest spots in McHenry county may now be seen on the farm of Bates & Lackland, six miles south of Marengo, where Mr. B. F. Collins is rushing his corn husking, says the Marengo Republican. About 6,000 bushels have already been cribbed, and there are still some 3,000 bushels yet to be husked, making in total a crop of 9,000 bushels of corn for this year. The yield is extra good, a portion of the crop making as high as 75 bushels per acre, and the entire acreage will average 50 bushels per acre, or a little more. In addition to this 9,000 bushels of corn, Mr. Collins also raised 6,000 bushels of oats, making a total of 15,000 bushels of grain produced on this farm this present year; to this there should be added 40 tons of excellent timothy hay, 18 tons of millet, etc., so that the grand total ranks this farm amongst the best grain farms in the county.

This is the land that but a few years ago was too wet for farming, and on which only wild slough hay was cut each autumn. However, the present owners have thoroughly drained the farm by a system of dredge ditch and tiling, every acre is now under cultivation, and the farm is now in a highly productive state as witnessed by the heavy crop returns, all of which is but an illustration that drainage and modern farm methods get results.

## THE GIFT STORE

E. H. Browne Making a Big Display of Pretty and Useful Notions

During the next two weeks E. H. Browne's store will present a genuine holiday appearance, a fine line of pretty and useful notions now being arranged in display.

Chief among the many things to be found at Browne's is the superb line of copyright books, including practically all the newest editions and a limitless number of the 50 cent books, and there is nothing that gives more real pleasure than a book. In toilet articles he has made a special effort to get something distinctive for this season as will be noted if you call. There are thousands of post cards for the holiday season, Christmas stickers and tags, in fact all the necessary articles for making packages attractive.

The line of smoker's articles is complete while there is a splendid display in leather goods, including purses, music rolls, bags, etc. Work baskets, china, cut glass and dozens of other things. You are invited to call and just look around if you wish.

Why not subscribe for a magazine for a year. It would make a fine gift, one that would be a constant reminder of your friendship for a year.—Advertisement.

## AT THE EXPERIMENT FARM

Corn Yields One Hundred Bushels Per Acre

They are gathering in their corn crop out at the experiment station south of town and a representative of the state university station is here to see about it.

Some of the plots, which were planted and cared for under state direction by J. H. Carter, are said to be yielding as much as one hundred bushels of corn to the acre.

They save out a batch of selected seed from each plot and sell the balance of the corn to whoever wants to buy it.—DeKalb Advertiser.

## FARMERS' INSTITUTE

Ten Big Days in the County Beginning Monday, Dec. 16

### GENOA SESSION NEXT TUESDAY

Some Good Speakers will Appear at Every Town and Discuss the Several Topics of Interest to Tillers of the Soil

The DeKalb County Farmers' Institute will open its winter meetings on Monday, Dec. 16, at Kirkland, continuing for a period of ten days, covering practically every town in the county, as follows:

Kirkland, Dec. 16.  
Genoa, Dec. 17.  
Elva, Dec. 18.  
Waterman, Dec. 19.  
Lee, Dec. 21.  
Esmond, Jan. 7.  
Malta, Jan. 8.  
Hinckley, Jan. 9.  
Shabbona, Jan. 10.  
Somonauk, Jan. 11.

The county agriculturist, W. G. Eckhardt, will be present at all the meetings and discuss the different features of farm conditions and relate the story of his past summer's work. In the evening his work will be demonstrated by use of a stereopticon machine. Just to hear Mr. Eckhardt, alone will be worth the time of every farmer in the county. During the past summer he has acquired a wealth of knowledge regarding DeKalb County soil and conditions and is in a better position than ever to talk to DeKalb county farmers convincingly.

Among the other speakers are Dr. Cook of DeKalb Normal and Dr. J. M. Wright of Chicago, and there may be some surprises in store which cannot be divulged at this time. Geo. Gurler of DeKalb will be present.

Every man who is a subscriber to the DeKalb County Soil Improvement Association fund should attend this institute and learn beyond doubt that their donation has not been misplaced. Others should attend and get into the spirit of the thing at once. DeKalb county is famed far and wide as the most progressive county agriculturally in the United States. Let every person in the county lend his aid in making the county the best producing piece of land in the country.

Attend these institutes and learn how to do it.

## STILL THE FIGHT GROWS

Grand Jury System May Yet be Abolished—Relic of Barbarism

The action of the present Kane county grand jury in voting in favor of abolishing the present grand jury system is already bearing fruit. State Senator Thos. Stewart is investigating for the purpose of learning the sentiment and intends to introduce a bill asking for the repeal of the law that creates grand juries or to introduce a bill to amend the law.

One Elgin resident stated that he is in favor of having the law amended so that a grand jury will be sworn in immediately after being drawn and that they will meet on the day after their selection and will then keep in session until the next jury shall be drawn.

It is no meant that the jury shall stay in session every day, but that the body conduct investigations at any time during the three months of each court term.

Under the present law the jury while adjourned is still legally in session, but it would be necessary for the judge to issue a call to get the members into session again.—Elgin Courier.

## REAL GOOD ACCOMPLISHED

Belvidere Clubs Launch Plan which Shows the Spirit of Members

Republican—The four federated clubs of Belvidere, viz: the Fortnightly, Ganessa, Sororis and Domestic Science, have rented the Schaeffer building on the flats for the purpose of conducting a Rest and Refreshment Parlor for the ladies of the country and city.

In the large cities such a need is met by the rest rooms of the department stores and in many smaller towns than this such corners of comfort and convenience are already enjoyed thru the successful efforts of club workers.

So strongly have our ladies realized the desirability and need of such a place in Belvidere that a beginning was made last winter in the lecture room of the South Baptist church, where so many availed themselves to its privileges that it was thought advisable to enlarge upon the plan sufficiently to more adequately meet the demand.

It is readily understood that mothers living at a distance who shop for several hours in our city cannot but appreciate a quiet room where they may rest, care for the little ones and enjoy some light refreshment before starting on a long ride home.

## CARNES IS ELEVATED

Sycamore Jurist is Appointed to the Appellate Court to Fill Vacancy Caused by Death of Willis

Judge Duane J. Carnes of Sycamore has been appointed to the Appellate bench of this district to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Henry B. Willis. The honor is a signal one, well bestowed, and his selection for this important judicial position is highly satisfactory to the bar of this district.

The appointment to the Appellate bench comes from the State Supreme court, and any circuit judge is eligible. Outside of Chicago, the state is divided into four court districts, each court having three judges. A judge may be selected from any part of the state for any one of the Appellate benches, but it is the practice to make the selection from the respective districts in which the court is located. The court of this district sits at Ottawa.

There come before it, multitudinous cases and the greater share of the time of the judges is required in rendering opinions upon these cases.

Judge Carnes' appointment from a certain point will be a handicap in the circuit court work, for it will nearly remove him from active court duties, because of the time he will have to devote to the Appellate court. This will leave Judge Slusser as the only experienced judge on the circuit bench, until the successor of Judge Willis is elected in February. Attorney Russell of Elgin seems to have the best chances of election, and altho he is recognized as an able attorney still he will be practically a new man for this position and his weight and caliber as a jurist is yet to be determined.

## New Law is Upheld

Among the opinions handed down by the appellate court last week was one affirming the verdict of a jury in the DuPage county circuit court. Henry Smith, a farm hand, who lost his right hand in a corn shredder while working for Urias Eichelberger near Naperville, was given a verdict of \$2,000. The case was appealed and the court now affirms the verdict. This case was brought under the new compensation law.

## IT COMES AT LAST

New Building at the County Farm Considered

### SUPERVISORS PREPARE PLANS

At Last Session Steps are Taken to Replace the Present Quarters with Modern Structure—County Out of Debt

The expenditure of some \$60,000 for a strictly modern county infirmary will probably result from the action of the DeKalb county board of supervisors last week, says the True Republican.

This will do at least for a starter.

The visit of nearly the entire board to the county farm on Wednesday made them realize that something should be done soon to make more comfortable and provide strictly sanitary surroundings for the unfortunates who have fallen to the county's care.

On their return from the visit the supervisors adopted a resolution which authorized Chairman Dodge to appoint a special committee of five who are, authorized to employ a competent architect, and, "have plans and specifications made for a good, modern building to be known as the DeKalb County Infirmary," the disposition of the old building to be left to the discretion of the committee, the whole matter to be submitted at a special meeting of the supervisors to be held on January 20 next.

So satisfactory to all did the special building committee on the construction of the county jail perform their various duties, that the chairman appointed as the special committee on the erection of a county infirmary the same supervisors, Messrs. Cheasbro, Conrad, Potter, Townsend and Jarboe.

The county owes nothing, and the finances were never in more prosperous condition. It is said that by issuing perhaps a few county orders, no bonding of the county will be necessary, and the expense of the new infirmary can be extended over two or three years so that the comparatively small increase in the county tax will not be felt.

## EXPLOSION KILLS A WOMAN

Ridgefield Lady Pours Kerosene into Stove to Provide Hasty Breakfast with Fatal Result

Mrs. John Nickelson, wife of the village blacksmith at Ridgefield, near Woodstock, lost her life last Friday morning by burns sustained by pouring kerosene into the kitchen stove to start the blaze hurriedly to get her husband's breakfast. In a moment there was a terrific explosion and the burst of flame emanating from the kerosene can set Mrs. Nickelson's clothing on fire, the kerosene starting flames simultaneously in half a dozen places on her dress.

Shrieking with torturing pain, she ran out of the kitchen door and into the yard. There was nobody on the street, and it was several minutes before the attention of neighbors, among them a Mrs. Dufield, was drawn to the woman, who ran half a block in frenzy. Every rapid step served to fan the flames, and when help reached her, she was a veritable pillar of flame.

## Better Grade Gifts

Christmas shopping in our store is a source of pleasure and satisfaction to all who recognize the value of better grade articles to be bought as gifts.

Slater & Son, Genoa.



# My LADY of DOUBT

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## CHAPTER I.

**A Perilous Mission.**  
Several of us had remained rather late that evening about the cheerful fire in front of my hut—for the nights were still chilly, although it was May, and the dreadful winter passed—discussing the improved condition of our troops, the rigid discipline of Baron de Steuben, and speculating on what would probably be attempted now that Sir Henry Clinton had succeeded to the command of the forces opposing us, together with Knox of the artillery, each man with a different theory of campaign, but alike agreeing that, in spite of all we had endured during those months of suffering and privation at Valley Forge, the time to strike once again was near at hand, although our numbers were barely half that of the enemy.

It must have been midnight when I crept into a bunk, and my eyes then found sleep absent, my eyes gazing out through the open door to where the embers of the fire glowed red, and a sentinel paced back and forth in regular monotony. Suddenly he halted, and challenged hoarsely, flinging forward his gun. There was an indistinguishable answer, and as I straightened up the figure of a man blotted out the doorway.

"Major Lawrence?"  
"Yes. What is it?" I swung to the floor, unable to recognize the voice. The man's hand rose to salute.  
"I am Colonel Gibbs' orderly. General Hamilton wishes you to report at once at headquarters."  
"The Potts house?"  
"Yes, sir."

I dressed hastily, my pulses throbbing with eagerness. Whatever the message meant, there was certainly some purpose of vital importance in sending for me at this unusual hour, and I was boy enough still to welcome any form of active service. No duty of the war had so tried me as the long winter of waiting. Yet, rapidly as I moved, the orderly had disappeared before I got outside, and I picked my way as best I could along through the darkness, along the rear of McIntosh's huts, until I reached the low fence surrounding the Potts house. Here a sentinel challenged, calling the corporal of the guard, and in his company I trudged up the path to the front door. There was a light showing through the window to the left, although the shade was closely drawn, and a guard stood within the hall. At the first sound of our approach, however, a side door was flung open, letting forth a gleam of illumination, and I perceived the short, slight figure of Hamilton, as he peered forward to get a better glimpse of my face.

"All right, corporal," he said tersely, gripping my hand. "Come in, major; your promptness would seem to indicate a readiness to get into service once more."

"I had not yet fallen asleep," I explained, "but we are all eager enough for action of any description."  
He smiled cheerily.

"You will soon be busy, never fear." He closed the door behind us, and with a glance, I viewed the room and its occupants. It was a small, low-ceilinged apartment, containing a table, a few chairs and a high commode. A few coals glowed in the wide fireplace, and the walls were dingy with smoke. Three candles, already burning low, gave fitful illumination, revealing four occupants, all known to me. At an open door to the right stood a sweet-faced woman, glancing back curiously at my entrance, and I whipped off my hat bowing low. Once before I had seen her, Mistress Washington, and welcomed the gracious recognition in her eyes. Colonel Gibbs stood before the fireplace motionless, but my glance swept past him to the calm, uplifted face above the pile of papers littering the table. He was not looking at me, but his eyes were turned toward his wife.

"It is not necessary for you to retire," he said quietly. "We shall not detain this gentleman except for a few moments."

"It is not because of the major's coming I withdraw," she replied pleasantly, "but the hour is late, and I am very tired. Good night, all."

Washington's eyes were upon the door until it closed; then he turned slightly, facing me. Before he spoke again, Hamilton broke in:

"This is the officer, sir, recommended by General Maxwell—Major Lawrence of the Maryland line."

I bowed silently, and the commander rose to his feet, extending his hand. "No doubt we have met before," he said slowly. "You have been with us for some time?"

"My first action was at Harlem, sir."

"You could not have been at Valley Forge during the past winter, however?"

"I was with the Marquis de la Fayette at Albany."

"Ah, yes," his face clouding at the recollection. "A young officer, Hamilton, but capable, no doubt. You have used him before, you said?"

"Yes, at Long Island, and he en-

tered New York once at my request." Washington's gray eyes were still on my face.

"Lawrence is a Massachusetts name."

"Not exclusively," I returned, "as our branch are Virginians."

The stern lines about the mouth relaxed into a smile.

"Indeed; from the eastern shore, then. I recall now having once met a Judge John Lawrence, whose wife was a Lee."

"My father, sir."  
His hand rested firm on my shoulder, as his glance turned to Hamilton.

"I require no further commendation, colonel. You will find the papers in the second drawer. Please explain all the details carefully to Major Lawrence."

"This is a simple duty, major," said Hamilton, "but may prove a dangerous one. You have been selected because of previous successful efforts of a similar nature, but the commander-in-chief does not order your going; we seek a volunteer."

"Without asking the nature of the service," I answered sincerely, "I rejoice at the privilege."

"I knew that, Lawrence," heartyly. "That answer accords with your well-earned reputation throughout the army. I will explain briefly the situation. Early this evening our pickets—

or rather some partisan scouts near Newtown—captured a British officer, in field uniform, on his way from New York to Sir William Howe in Philadelphia. The prisoner was brought here, and on examination proved to be Lieut. Edgar Fortesque of the Forty-second regiment of foot. These troops came over with the last detachment, and arrived in New York less than a month ago. On searching Fortesque's clothing we found this dispatch," holding out a sealed paper, "which we opened. It is not of any great military importance, being merely an order for Howe to proceed at once to New York, taking with him certain officers of his staff, and placing a naval vessel at his disposal."

He paused, turning the paper over in his hands.

"However," he went on slowly, "it affords us the opportunity we have long been seeking of getting a competent military observer into Philadelphia. Now that Sir Henry Clinton is in command of the British forces di-

rectly opposing us, it is necessary that we know accurately their number, state of discipline, guns and any point of weakness in the defenses of the city. We require also information regarding the division of troops under Sir Henry's command—the proportion of British, Hessians and Tories, together with some inkling as to Clinton's immediate plans. There is a rumor abroad that Philadelphia is to be evacuated, and that the British forces contemplate a retreat overland to New York. Civilian fugitives drift into our camp constantly, bearing all manner of wild reports, but these accounts are so varied as to be practically valueless. We must possess accurate details, and to gain these a man would need to be in the city several days, free to move about, observe, and converse with the officers of the garrison. Do I make myself clear?"

"Yes, sir; you propose forwarding the dispatch by an officer who shall impersonate this captured lieutenant."

"Exactly. Fortesque is a young fellow of about your age and build. He has been in the army only eight months and in this country less than

thirty days. It is scarcely probable he is known personally to any of the present Philadelphia garrison. There is a risk, of course, but in this case it would seem to be small." He picked up a paper from off the table. "Here is an officer's roster of the forty-second regiment. It might be well for you to familiarize yourself with a few of the names."

I studied the list a moment, bending down closer to the nearest candle, while rapidly reviewing in my own mind the duty required. I had no thought of refusal, yet appreciated to the full the possible danger of the venture, and felt anxious to make no serious mistake. I had achieved a reputation for reckless daring, yet this kind of service was hardly to my liking. To wear British uniform meant my condemnation as a spy, if discovered, and a death of disgrace. I had been within the lines of the enemy often before, but always as a scout, wearing the homespun of the Maryland line, but this was to be a masquerade, a juggling with chance. I was not greatly afraid of being unmasked by the officers of the garrison, but there were those then in Philadelphia who knew me—loyalists, secret sympathizers with our cause, and not a few deserters from the army—whom I might encounter at any turn in the road. The prospect was not alluring, yet a glance aside at the profile of Washington, now bending low over a mass of papers, instantly stiffened my resolve. It was work I had no excuse to shirk—indeed no inclination—so I returned Hamilton's glance of inquiry frankly.

"You wish me to go at once?"

"The earlier the better. I will furnish passports through our lines, and hard riding will put you across the neutral ground by daylight."

CHAPTER II.

Within the Enemy's Lines.

A long cavalry cape concealing the British uniform I wore, my horse and myself were ferried across the Schuylkill, just below the mouth of Valley creek, and there, amid the silence and darkness of the eastern shore, I parted with Hamilton, who had accompanied me thus far, whispering final words of instruction. My horse was a fresh one, chosen from the stables of the Life Guard, but the trappings were

their green coats faced with dingy white, cocked hats flapping as they rode.

It was thus we came to Callowhill, and the encampment of British grenadiers, an officer of the Fifty-fifth regiment volunteering to guide me to Howe's quarters in High street. He was a genial fellow, and pointed out various places of interest, as we rode more slowly through the streets close along the river side, questioning me often upon affairs in New York, to which I returned such vague answers as pleased me, paying small heed to the truth. All along the river were redoubts, well garrisoned, with black gun muzzles pointing out across the water. Many houses had been razed, and their debris, together with the fire ruin of the past winter, gave to everything a look of desolation. Much artillery was parked in the state house yard, and several vessels of war were lying at anchor in the stream, while the entire shore line was filled with barges, decorated as for a fete, a large force of men laboring about them. My companion, observing my interest attracted in that direction, reined up his horse to explain.

"Those are the galleys being made ready for the Mischanza, Fortesque," he said, waving his hand. "You came to us at a lucky hour."

"The Mischanza?" I asked, puzzled by the strange term. "Some festival, you mean?—some gala day?"

"'Tis an Italian word, they tell me, signifying melody. The officers give it in farewell to Sir William, who will sail tomorrow. A pretty penny it costs. See, there is Major O'Hara now, one of the managers; there are three others, Sir John Wortlesley, Major Gardiner, and the chief engineer, Montresor. Do you know them? No? Oh; I had forgotten you have only just arrived. You will know them ere long, however, for they are the leaders in such affairs. That is Captain Andre there with O'Hara." He waved his hand, and the younger officer lifted his cocked hat in acknowledgment. "Let us spur over there, lieutenant, until I get you a ticket of invitation."

I followed, careless of the loss of time so I could both see and hear.

"Andre, this is Lieutenant Fortesque just in from New York with dispatches for Howe. I have promised him a ticket for tonight."

The young officer laughingly extended a hand.

"The more the merrier, Craig. With the Forty-second I see, sir; knew your colonel well. You'll find America isn't so bad, after you get used to it. We've had a gay time here, eh, O'Hara? The best of liquor, and the prettiest of girls, and now we'll show the town something it won't forget in a hurry." He held out a card to me. "Rather ornate, considering the printers in these colonies; designed it myself."

It was certainly a handsome souvenir, perhaps six inches by four in size, engraved as in a shield, yielding a view of the sea, with the setting sun, and on a wreath the words, "Lucco discendens, anto splendore resurgam," while at the top was the general's crest, bearing the words, "Vive vale."

"A fine conceit, indeed," I confessed, "and if the pageant be equal to its promise 'twill be well worth the seeing. What is the purpose, gentlemen?"

"To give Sir William fit farewell," returned Andre, pleased at my unqualified praise. "And now that the Lord has sent us a fine day, I can promise a festival worthy the herald. But, Fortesque, if you would have audience with Howe, I advise you to get on, for he will have few spare moments between now and day-dawn tomorrow."

We parted with much bowing, Craig and I guiding our horses through the crowded streets, being kept too busy avoiding accidents to exchange conversation. Howe's headquarters on High street were not pretentious, and, except for a single sentinel posted at the door, were unguarded. I was admitted without delay. An aide took my name, and within a very few moments Sir William himself entered through a rear door, attired in field uniform. He greeted me with much affability, glancing hastily over the papers handed him, and then into my face.

"These do not greatly change my former plans," he said, "but I am glad to know I can retain my present staff. There was no special news in New York, lieutenant?"

"None of particular importance, I believe, sir. We landed only a short time ago."

"Yes, I understand. You were fortunate to get through here so easily—the Jerseys are a hotbed of rebellion. Do you return with me by water?"

"I believe that was left to my own discretion. I should be glad of a day or two in Philadelphia."

"Easily arranged. While I shall leave the city tomorrow so as to give Clinton a fair field, I shall remain on Lord Howe's flagship for some little time previous to final departure for New York. You had better mess here with my staff, Mabry," turning to the aide, "see that Lieutenant Fortesque

has breakfast, and procure him a pass good indefinitely within our lines. You will pardon my withdrawal, as the officers of the garrison promise me an exceedingly busy day. We will meet again, no doubt."

He clasped my hand warmly, and withdrew, leaving me alone with the aide, half-ashamed, I confess, of having been compelled to deceive. Yet the very ease of it all stimulated endeavor, and I conversed lightly with Mabry over the mess table, and when the orderly returned with the necessary pass, I was keen to start upon my round of inspection, utterly forgetful of having been up and in saddle all night. Mabry could not leave his duties to accompany me, but courteously furnished a fresh horse, and assigned a private of dragoons to guide me about the city. By ten o'clock we were off, my only fear being the possible meeting with some acquaintance.

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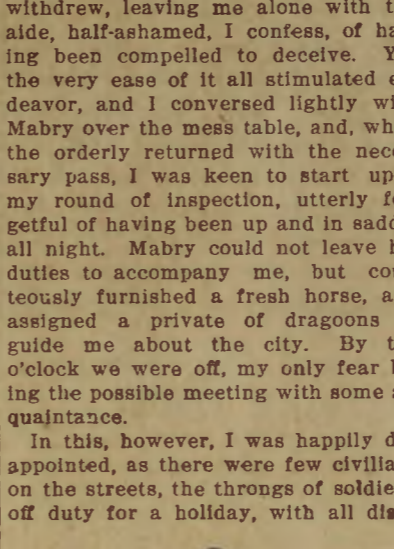
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# FADS AND FANCIES OF FASHION

## SEEN AT HORSE SHOW

GORGEOUS WRAPS WORN BY NEW YORK SOCIETY WOMEN.

Oriental Designs Generally Rule in the Matter of Such Drapery—Costume of Taupe Silk Brocade and Broadcloth.

Evening wraps are always a special feature of interest at the New York horse show. The garden is drafty and some women wear their rich wraps throughout the evening, thrown back to show the gown and the jewels beneath, but covering the shoulders. If the wrap is not worn it is thrown over the chair behind its possessor. An evening gown is never worn on the promenade without a

of the coat appeared a thick fringe of ermine tails. There was a deep, square collar of the ermine, trimmed with a fringe of the black tails. The loose, baggy sleeves were trimmed at the lower edge with a fringe of the tails.

Another wrap was of moleskin draped around the shoulders in cape effect. There was a shaped piece, extending from the shoulder line almost to the waist, of gold lace and Oriental embroidery finished by a large gold tassel. A huge muff of the moleskin accompanied the cloak.

Another handsome afternoon costume was of black velvet trimmed with skunk. The coat was one of the new three-quarter length models with loose, baggy sleeves set in, much on the line of the evening wraps. There was a large collar of skunk and narrow bands of the same fur edged the coat. Between the bands of the fur were applied braid motifs. A wide band of braid was applied on the bottom of the skirt. In front appeared two rows of buttons and braid loops.

Another admirable costume was of taupe silk brocade and broadcloth, combined. The jacket was of silk brocade finished with a large collar of opossum. The jacket was fastened with small braid buttons and loops. There were deep cuffs of the fur trimmed with the buttons and braid. The skirt was in tunic effect at the front, and was trimmed with three large buttons.

Still another costume was of taupe velvet and cloth, accompanied by a set of silver fox. The jacket of velvet was fashioned in cutaway style and trimmed with braid and buttons. The skirt was of broadcloth looped up at the side and front. A lash on the left side at the bottom showed an under-skirt of velvet.

MARY DEAN.

## PRETTY RIBBONS FOR NECK

At No Time Have These Adornments Been So Handsome and Worthy of Praise as Now.

The latest development of the sautoir is the grosgrain or moire ribbon with plain or pilot edge and a large single ornament on the left side. One of the prettiest of these is a circular motif of exquisite delicacy. Another is a square of finest filet lace mesh wrought in platinum and diamonds, placed diagonally on the ribbon and held at the two opposite corners by two diamonds. These are again attached to a jeweled section that covers the ends of the ribbon. If a simpler chain for the lorgnon is desired there is the solitary pearl without any metal and strung as a slide on a silk cord. Both men and women are adopting this inconspicuous but handsome device.

Perhaps one of the most pleasing novelties of the moment is a velvet neck band with slides of seed pearls. These come with two or three slides or with a simple festoon. They are both radical departures from the old-fashioned themes, such as the rosettes and the bowknot.—Vogue.

## Mannish Shirts.

Soft materials are used for the mannish shirts which are fashioned with high, soft turn-over collars and cuffs and welted seams. The turn-over collars are quite high and button through at the front.



Taupe Velvet.

wrap. Vivid in color are the new wraps of velvet and brocade and very voluminous in drapery. Oriental designs have been followed by the couturiers in the matter of drapery, and while the shoulders and sleeves of the draped velvet, brocade or fur wraps are loose and baggy in effect the swathed silhouette is emphasized by the cut of the lower portion of the garment.

One wrap particularly noticeable was of all-white ermine, with draped effect at the hips. Around the bottom

## MAKES AN ACCEPTABLE GIFT

Case for Dollies Need Not Be Expensive, but Will Show the Work of Loving Hands.

One could not make a more acceptable gift to an engaged or married girl friend than a dolly like the one illustrated.

Purchase some crepe paper or cretonne of a pretty pattern, and about two and one-half yards of one and one-half

cut out a round of white paper, rather smaller than the cardboard, and place it so that it covers the edges of the crepe paper. Before allowing the paste to stiffen, slip one end of the ribbon (which has previously been cut in four equal lengths) between the white paper and the cardboard, and press firmly. Place another end of ribbon exactly opposite.

Repeat instructions on second piece of cardboard, then press both under weights.

The ribbons in bows at each side. If you use cretonne the lining of each circle should be cream sateen and the cretonne is sewed to the sateen, not pasted as the paper is.

## Accordion-Plaited Net.

Accordion net is ubiquitous for girls' dresses, the more luxurious materials being, of course, more or less reserved for their elders. There are lovely little gowns, too, simply made of accordion or gauffered pearl-white chiffon, into which is spliced a panel of shadow lace, likewise plaited to match. No other trimming but the lace is required, unless it be the heavy silver or gold bullion fringe which so many dressmakers employ as a finish to the soft swathed satin belts.

## New Chameleon Velvet.

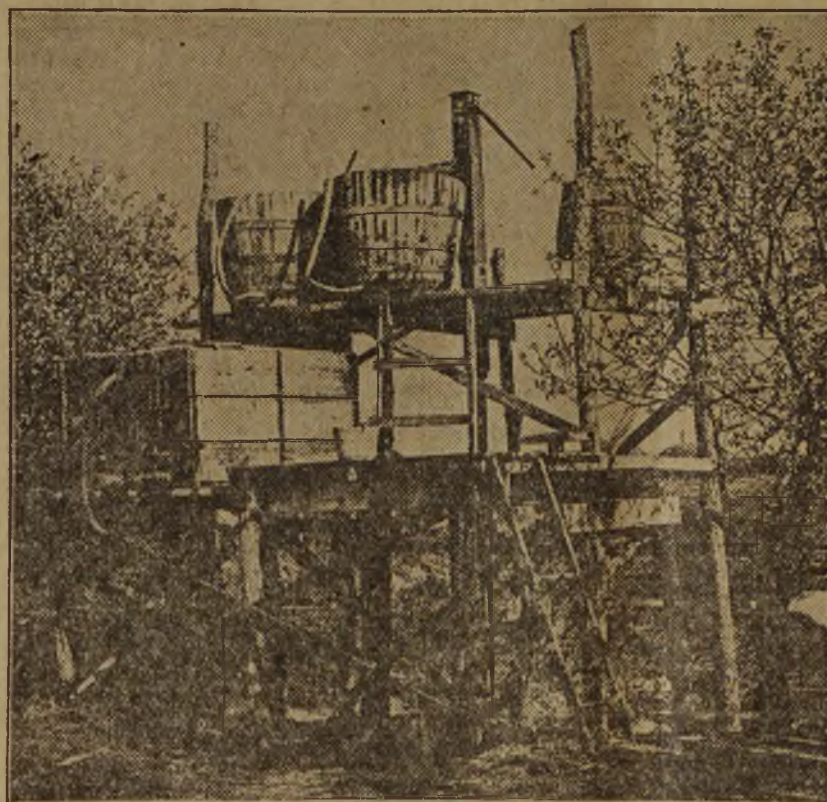
The chameleon velvets are another novelty of the season which are finding a warm reception. Nor is this favor to be wondered at when they come in such delightful color combinations as royal blue and violet, old gold and prune, Nile green and copper, old blue and violet, and others just as artistic. Lace and chiffon enter largely into the fashioning of the frocks of this material.



half inch wide ribbon to match, and cut out two pieces of thick cardboard about two inches across.

Cover one side of cardboard with paste, lay the crepe paper over it, and stretch it quite tight across. Cut it away all around, leaving about an inch for turning over. Paste the other side of cardboard and press the edge of crepe paper on it. Then

## BORDEAUX MIXTURE, WHAT IT IS, HOW IT IS MADE AND HOW IT SHOULD BE USED



Outfit for Mixing Spraying Material.

By O. S. WATKINS, University of Illinois.

The protection of fruit trees from the ravages of fungous diseases by spraying is no longer an experiment. No phase of horticulture activity is attracting more attention today than the proper use of fungicides and the insecticides, since the quality of the fruit which is placed upon the market is determined largely by the character of the spraying which has been done.

A fungicide is a preparation which has for its active agent some chemical in which the development of fungous spores is retarded or prevented. It is generally applied with water, which serves as a distributing agent for the active ingredient. Fungicides are designed to control such diseases as apple scab, apple blotch, bitter rot, brown rot and many other fungi of a similar nature.

Bordeaux mixture is the standard fungicide for most of the diseases injurious to orchard and garden crops. It is made from copper sulphate and lime, and was introduced into this country from Europe in 1837 by the United States department of agriculture. The original formula has been modified somewhat and the mixture giving the best results today is one made from:

- Four pounds of copper sulphate.
- Four pounds of lime.
- Fifty gallons of water.

When the small home orchard composed of only a few trees is to be sprayed, the equipment consists of a 50-gallon barrel, two tubs of at least 25-gallons' capacity, two buckets and a paddle. Arrange the tubs so that one is on either side of the barrel. Place in one of the tubs 25 gallons of water and dissolve in it four pounds of copper sulphate by suspending it in a coarse sack just below the surface of the water. About one hour should be allowed for this; but if hot water is available, the copper sulphate can be dissolved in a small quantity in much less time, and then diluted to 25 gallons with cold water. In the other tub carefully shake four pounds of stoneline, using only sufficient (hot) water to have the lime, when thoroughly slaked, in the form of a thick paste, in which form it should be allowed to cool. When cold, dilute to 25 gallons. The copper sulphate and milk of lime are now ready to mix, two persons being necessary for the operation. Have the contents of each tub well stirred; then pour a bucket of each simultaneously into the barrel, allowing the two streams to come together. Continue in the same way until the entire amount is made. Thoroughly agitate the blue mixture in the barrel, and transfer it through a strainer into the spray tank. It is now ready for application.

In preparing Bordeaux mixture for use in the large commercial orchard, where spraying is done from one or more 200-gallon tanks, it is customary to make up stock solutions of copper sulphate and lime. This is to avoid delays occasioned by slaking each batch of lime, and dissolving each lot of copper sulphate.

One of the most important steps in the preparation of Bordeaux mixture is the slaking of the lime, and care must be taken to have this properly done. At least a day before the spraying operations are to begin, slake one or more batches of lime of 50 pounds each by placing the lime in a slaking box or barrel, together with seven or eight gallons of water, which is sufficient quantity to start the action. As soon as the lime begins to slake it should be continually stirred. More water should be added as needed from time to time to prevent the development of too much heat and the consequent burning of the lime. When too small an amount of water is used the lime crumbles to a powder with the result that there are many small lumps that do not completely slake, which will be thrown out when the lime is strained into the tank. On the other hand, too much water should also be avoided, for this likewise causes incomplete slaking and therefore a reduction in the actual amount of lime added to the mixture. Lime, during the process of slaking, should have constant attention, adding only a

small quantity of water at a time so as to keep the action even and insure the lime being perfectly slaked.

When the lime is completely slaked it should be rather thick paste, in which form it should be allowed to cool. In slaking lime to be used in the preparation of Bordeaux mixture the paste mass should never be cooled artificially, for if this is done the action is not completed. When the slaked lime is cold transfer to the stock solution barrel, if a slaking box has been used, and add sufficient water to bring the total volume in the barrel to 50 gallons. This is termed a stock solution and when well mixed each gallon contains one pound of lime.

To prepare the stock solution of copper sulphate, suspend 50 pounds of the blue stone in a burlap sack near the top of a 50-gallon barrel nearly filled with water. Several hours should be allowed for solution to take place. When all of the sulphate is dissolved, bring the total volume in the barrel to 50 gallons. When well mixed each gallon contains one pound of copper sulphate.

As several days ordinarily elapse between the different applications, in order to keep the stock solutions at their original strengths the volumes of the material in each of the stock solution barrels should be noted at the completion of each application, and before any more Bordeaux mixture is made, water should be added to replace that which has been lost by evaporation.

There are two methods by which Bordeaux mixture can be made in large quantities; one in which an elevated platform is used, and the water pumped by hand; and another in which no elevated platform is necessary, but all solutions are pumped by means of a tank filled.

For the first certain equipment is necessary which will help diminish the labor and avoid waste of time. An elevated platform should have two parts, one higher than the other. On the lower part is supported a mixing tank which has a capacity equal to that of the spray tank, at such a distance above the ground as will allow the delivery of the mixture by gravity to the top of the spray tank driven underneath. On the upper platform there should be two diluting tubs, each of a capacity of at least 100 gallons, several barrels in which the stock solutions of copper sulphate and lime may be kept, and sufficient room for the operator. This upper platform should be at such a height that the two diluting tubs can be adjusted to deliver the solutions together through a strainer into the mixing tank.

The necessary equipment provided, and the stock solution prepared to make 200 gallons of Bordeaux mixture, using the 4-4-50 formula, proceed as follows: Measure into one of the diluting tubs 16 gallons of the stock solution of copper sulphate; then add 84 gallons of water. In the other tub place 16 gallons of the well mixed stock solution of lime, and add water to make 100 gallons of diluted lime. There are now 100 gallons each of copper sulphate solution and milk of lime. In mixing equal streams from each tub should be conducted directly into the strainer supported over the mixing tank. The milk of lime should be stirred continually, so as to have a homogeneous mixture at all times coming in contact with the copper sulphate solution.

## New Type of Corn Discovered.

In harvesting a plot of yellow corn of the Leaming variety at one of the experiment fields of the University of Illinois agricultural experiment station, a workman found a peculiarly shaped ear, which was laid aside in the drying room as a curiosity. This ear was the parent of what promises to be a new type of great value for stock feeding. The corn has a branched ear and the cob is of such a nature that it may be readily masticated with the kernels without the necessity of grinding or chopping. Whether the type will yield enough to justify its production for practical purposes remains to be investigated.

## POINTED WAY TO SALVATION

Preacher's Advice Was All Right but His Friend Also Had Something to Say.

Senator Samuel A. Ettelson, speaking recently at a banquet, told the following:

"A colored preacher stood up on a Sunday and said, 'My text this morning, brothers and sisters, am 'What shall I do to be saved?' To me there seems only one way to be saved, and that am to quit this'ere extravagant living. Back to the simple life, say I. There am going to be no chance for you to be saved so long as you keep up this high living. If there is anything that is going to kill our race it is these'ere luxuries. Better go hungry and cold like the wolf. Go out and face the rains and fight the storms. Go wade like the crane. You will grow rugged and you will grow tough, but you'll walk like a man. Yes, sir, that am de way to salvation, that am de way to get saved."

"Just then a tall colored man, rising from his pew in the rear of the church, interrupted the preacher, shouting: 'This am no way to be saved shouting: 'This am no way to be saved. You just jump right through that back window and run just as fast as your legs will carry you, for the county sheriff am here with a warrant for your arrest for stealing them chickens from Massa Martin's coop last Friday night.'"—Chicago Tribune.

## RASH ON FACE FOR 2 YEARS

Stoux Falls, S. D.—"My trouble of skin disease started merely as a rash on my face and neck, but it grew and kept getting worse until large scars would form, fester and break. This was just on the one side of my face, but it soon scattered to the other side. I buffered a great deal, especially at night, on account of its itching and burning. I would scratch it and of course that irritated it very much. This rash was on my face for about two years, sometimes breaking out lots worse and forming larger sores. It kept me from sleeping day or night for a couple of months. My face looked disgraceful and I was almost ashamed to be seen by my friends.

"A friend asked me to try Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment. I would bathe my face with hot water and a lot of Cuticura Soap, then I would put on the Cuticura Ointment. In less than two days' time, the soreness and inflammation had almost entirely disappeared, and in four weeks' time you could not see any of the rash. Now my face is without a spot of any kind. I also use them for my scalp and hair. They cured me completely." (Signed) Miss Pansy Hutchins, Feb. 6, 1912.

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## STEP FARTHER.



Mr. Rastus—I've muzzled de dog. An' now I've waitin'.

Mr. Acker—For what?  
Mr. Rastus—To see if dey's gwinter go de res' o' de way an' see to de puhtection o' us human bel'n's. Ef dey'll fix up some way o' muzzlin' er hin' feet o' er mule, de'll sho'ly stop er heap o' damage.

## Transmigrating Turkey.

"The only time I ever believed in the transmigrating of souls was one frosty November afternoon on my Indiana farm."

The speaker was George Ade, the humorist. He continued:  
"It was a day or two before Thanksgiving. The trees were bare. The fields were a russet brown color. Toward me over those russet fields strutted a very plump, very large, very young turkey."

"Then it was that an ardent believer in the doctrine of metempsychosis seized me."

"'You,' I said to the superb bird, you are now a turkey. And you will die tomorrow. But, cheer up. Your next transmigrating will be into the body of a humorist not unknown to fame."

## Exception.

"You can't put water colors in an oil painting."  
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In each 5c sack there are one and a half ounces of choice Virginia and North Carolina tobacco—pure, mild, rich—best sort of granulated tobacco. Enough to make many good, satisfying cigarettes—the kind that makes rolling popular. And with each sack you get a present coupon and a book of cigarette papers free.

## Get an Umbrella Free

The coupons can be exchanged for all sorts of valuable presents. The list includes not only smokers' articles—but many desirable presents for women and children—

umbrellas, cameras, toilet articles, tennis rackets, catcher's gloves and masks, etc.

During December and January only we will send our illustrated catalogue of presents FREE to any address. Ask for it on a postal, today.

Coupons from Duke's Mixture may be assorted with tags from HORSE SHOE, I. E. THINLEY'S NATURAL LEAF, GRANGER TWIST, COUSINS from FOUR ROSES (10c in double coupon), PICK PLUG CUT, FLEMING CIGARETTES, CLIX CIGARETTES, and other tags or coupons issued by us.

Premium Dept.

Liggitt & Myers Tobacco Co. St. Louis, Mo.



## For PINK EYE DISTEMPER CATARRHAL FEVER AND ALL NOSE AND THROAT DISEASES

Cures the sick and acts as a preventive for others. Liquid given on the tongue. Safe for brood mares and all others. Best kidney remedy; 50c and \$1 a bottle; \$5 and \$10 a dozen. Sold by all druggists and horse goods houses, or sent, express paid, by the manufacturers.

SPORN MEDICAL CO., Chemists, GOSHEN, INDIANA

Father's Admiration.  
Mrs. Shortley was discussing the latest fashions with a young lady caller.  
"Did you say your husband was fond of those clinging gowns, Mae?"  
"Yes, he likes one to cling to me for about three years."—Lippincott's Magazine.

## Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Successful.  
"Is he a very successful surgeon?"  
"Very. Nearly all of his patients live long enough to pay their bills."

The rich mellow quality of LEWIS' Single Binder 5c cigar gives the highest pleasure in smoking. Adv.

Most of the so-called theatrical stars are rockets.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle, Adv.

It's a genuine surprise party if one has a good time at it.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar-coated, tiny granules, easy to take as candy. Adv.

Borrowed money often causes a total loss of memory.

## FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS

Are Richest in Curative Qualities FOR BACKACHE, RHEUMATISM, KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

Quickly relieve back, inflammation, etc. Sold everywhere. 25c a bottle. Free. Booklet. Free. JOHN L. THOMPSON SONS & CO., Troy, N.Y.

W. N. U., CHICAGO, NO. 50-1912.

## Your Liver Is Clogged Up

That's Why You're Tired—Out of Sorts—Have No Appetite.

## CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS

will put you right in a few days. They do their duty.

Cure Constipation, Bilioussness, Indigestion and Sick Headache. SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE.

Genuine must bear Signature

*Wm. Wood*

USE ABSORBINE, JR. LINIMENT FOR IT

Corns, Bunions, Callous Bunches, Tired, Aching, Swollen Feet. It allays pain and takes out soreness and inflammation promptly. Healing and soothing—causes a better circulation of the blood through the part, assisting nature in building new, healthy tissue and eliminating the old. Alex. Ahl, Tobinsport, Ind., writes Nov. 15, 1905: "No doubt you remember my getting two bottles of your ABSORBINE, JR., for a union on my foot. My foot is well." Also valuable for any swelling or painful affliction, Gout, Enlarged Glands, Varicose Veins, Milk Leg, Strains, Sprains, Heals Cuts, Bruises, Lacerations. Price \$1.00 and \$2.00 at all drug-gists or delivered. Book 4 G Free. W. F. Young, P. D. F., 310 Temple St., Springfield, Mass.

W. N. U., CHICAGO, NO. 50-1912.



CHEW SMOKE  
**MAIL POUCH**  
IT'S WORTH YOUR WHILE - TO GIVE IT A TRIAL

**(OFFICIAL PUBLICATION.)**

Report of the condition of Farmers State Bank located at Genoa, State of Illinois, before the commencement of business on the 7th day November, 1912, as made to the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Illinois pursuant to law.

**RESOURCES**

1. **LOANS:**  
Loans on real estate \$ 56,002.42  
Loans on collateral security 14,023  
Other loans and discounts 112,524.61 \$182,550.05

**Overdrafts**..... 3,100.00  
**Investments:**  
Public service corporation bonds 100.00  
Other bonds and securities 3,000.00

4. **Miscellaneous Resources:**  
Banking house 9,050.17  
Real estate other than banking house 912.50  
Furniture and fixtures 2,210.49

5. **Due From Banks:**  
State 1,510.28  
National 10,661.89

6. **Cash on Hand:**  
Currency 3,050.00  
Gold coin 31.00  
Silver coin 1,013.25  
Minor coin 21.90

7. **Other Cash Resources:**  
Exchanges for clearing house 783.31  
Checks and other cash items 732.97  
Collections in transit 1,510.28

**Total Resources**.....\$214,806.00

**LIABILITIES**

1. **Capital Stock Paid In**.....\$40,000.00  
2. **Surplus Fund**..... 3,400.00  
3. **Undivided Profits**..... 8,638.94

Less current interest, expenses and taxes paid 6,091.72

4. **Deposits:**  
Time certificates 48,741.31  
Savings, subject to notice 168,830.38  
Demand, subject to check 118,286.04  
Cashier's checks 1,812.00

**Total Liabilities**.....\$214,806.00

I, Flora Buck, Cashier of the Farmers State Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FLOKA BUCK, Cashier  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
County of DeKalb  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of December, 1912.

GEO. W. BUCK  
Notary Public  
Ancient and Modern.  
Even Alexander the Great had Tyro troubles.—Harvard Lampoon.

**Anything but Music.**

"I often met the late Jules Massenet in Monte Carlo," said a Newport woman. "The great composer had a keen sense of humor.

"At a hotel in Monte Carlo an Englishwoman once gave M. Massenet a tea in her sitting room overlooking the blue Mediterranean. She brought out her daughter in the middle of the tea and set her down at the piano, and the girl sang in a voice as slender as a cotton thread the mirror music from 'Thais.' At the end of the song the hostess said:

"Tell me frankly, cher maitre, what do you think of my Emily's voice?"

"Madame," said Massenet, "I think the young lady has a brilliant future in—sculpture or painting."

**His Daughter.**

A gentleman who was once stopped by an old man begging replied, "Don't you know, my man, that fortune knocks once at every man's door?"

"Yes," said the old man; "he knocked at my door once, but I was out, and ever since then he has sent his daughter."

"His daughter?" replied the gentleman. "What do you mean?"

"Why, Miss Fortune."

**He Was Polite.**

It was once told to a certain king of England that Lord Blank was his politest subject. "I will test him," said the king and showed Lord Blank to the royal carriage, holding the door for him to enter first, which he did. "You are right," said the king. "A lesser man would have troubled me with ceremony."

**Generally.**

Generally people pay a good deal more for experience that it turns out to be worth to them.

**More Hogs Die**

DeKalb Chronicle:—Dr. Rowan of this city, who is the representative of the state government veterinary institutes in this part of the state has been pretty busy the past few weeks with the hog cholera situation which he states is more severe now than it has been at any time during the past couple of years or since the epidemic in this part of the state started. Last week he was at Dixon where the disease seems to have been getting in its work with the result that many of the herds have been practically wiped out. On Thursday he was at Somonauk where he found conditions also very bad.

**Seaweed in Commerce.**

It is always known that seaweed contained a large quantity of iodine, but today it is used in the manufacture of a certain kind of cloth, while certain species are eaten under the names of "dulse," "stoke" and "currageen." Kelp is burned seaweed, and Devonshire seaweed is used for a large number of purposes; therefore, the seaweed gatherers of today are in a better position than ever before.

**Object to Woman Teacher.**

Earl Stonham, a Suffolk village, is in an educational controversy, due to the village demanding a schoolmistress. The latter has been appointed, but the school managers have informed her she is de trop. The woman has been temporarily permitted to teach, pending a conference with the educational committee. — London Globe.

**From Personal Experience.**

"Hello, dearie, are you on your way to take your lesson?" "Yeth, ma'am." "And who is your tutor?" "Mith Brown is my teacher, only she fithn't a tooter. She fith a thumper." — Youngstown Telegram

**Big Advertising Contract**

It is somewhat difficult to make the local merchant understand that judicious advertising will pay. It is not so, however, with those who have spent millions in the game. The Liggett & Meyers Tobacco Co. of St. Louis, Mo., one of the large concerns of the country has just closed a contract with The Republican-Journal for \$240,000 worth of space. This is for advertising only one article and that is tobacco. If this company can see its way to spend that much money in advertising tobacco alone in this paper, why is it not a safe bet that the merchant could get results in advertising a line of everything else including tobacco? Intelligent advertising will always pay.

**Had No Time.**

"Why doesn't Jabez Jones go to work and get prosperous?" "Because," replied the loyal friend, "he's a patriot who never neglects his duty as a citizen." He has been a member of the petit jury three times, a member of the grand jury twice, a delegate to four conventions and has gone unresisting to the legislature frequently. What time has he to himself?"

**Daily Thought.**

All true wisdom is contained in these two words—wait and hope.—Dumas.

**Handling Facts.**

The lady witness had become quite picturesque in her testimony, and the attorney had called her down in a way that had made her mad all over. "Confine yourself to facts if you please, madam," he said in conclusion. "Very well," she replied tartly. "You are no gentleman. How does that strike you?" —London Tit-Bits.

**How to Secure Silence in Women.**

"What interested me most in my travels," said Henpeck, "was the mummy of a queen I saw in Egypt." "Wonderful, eh?" asked his friend. "Yes, it's wonderful how they could make a woman dry up and stay that way." — Philadelphia Press.

**Notice**

Beginning December 7, The DeKalb County Telephone Co. is giving to its subscribers at Genoa free service with the following towns: Kingston, Kirkland, Fairdale, Esmond, Sycamore. A five cent toll charge is made to Malta and DeKalb. For rates to other points call the Long Distance operator.

The DeKalb County Telephone Company.  
Per, J. C. JOSLYN, Mgr.

**Diplomatic.**

She—"Why do you wish to know my age?" He—"I merely wish to know at what age woman is really the most fascinating."—Life.

**A GOOD BANK**

Is the business man's sheet anchor in times of financial distress. We have been in the banking business over thirty years, and have always aimed to take good care of our customers, granting them every accommodation which is consistent with our business standing and responsibility. Can we not serve you?

**EXCHANGE BANK  
BROWN & BROWN**

**Auctioneer**

**Farm Sales a Specialty**

My record speaks for itself. Ask those who have engaged my services in the past. Am well acquainted with values of live stock and machinery and give the best there is in me at every sale. If you intend to have a sale call me by phone or drop me a card and I will look you up.

**CHAS. SULLIVAN, Marengo, Ill.**

**Our Big Christmas Subscription Bargain  
This offer good only until January 1, 1913**

The Genoa Republican-Journal, 1 year, value \$1.25  
The Weekly Inter Ocean and Farmer, 1 year, value \$1.00  
Farm and Home, 1 year, value 50c  
Big (226 Piece) Christmas Package, would cost you about one dollar at stationers

**All for Only  
\$1.50**

NOTE: If you are already a subscriber to any of these publications your time will be extended one full year from the date of your present expiration.



**The Genial Christmas Saint Sends a Cheery Message  
to All Who Seek Appropriate Gift Things**

This is The Appointed Christmas Store For Elgin. Great Stocks of New Desirable Giveable Gifts

Make Selections Here Easy For The Troubled Gift Seeker

The hundreds who have been waiting for Santa's first message will eagerly scan this announcement from the genial old saint to know just where he will establish his headquarters for the season of 1912.

Santa's headquarters will be Here - - - "the Christmas Store" - - - and we announce that we are splendidly ready to meet every demand that the troubled gift seeker can make upon us.

Jolly old Santa Clause Himself will be Here at his headquarters in Toyland, to greet all his little friends and to learn their wishes. He has sent word that he will arrive on Saturday, Dec. 14, and will remain until the night before Christmas, when he starts on his long journey over the rooftops. Don't fail to bring all the little ones to see him and to tell him what they'd like best to find in their stockings on Christmas morning.

**Special Music for the Entertainment of Our Patrons.**

Beginning Saturday, Dec. 14th, Harden's Orchestra will play every afternoon and evening until Christmas, for the entertainment of our patrons. We cordially invite you to come and enjoy this special feature as often as you can. You'll be welcome whether you come to purchase or not.

**Great Display of Desirable Gift Things.**

Our observation of the trend of gift purchases during recent years has shown us that the day of the showy, fancy gift, with little or no intrinsic value, is passing among sensible people. So when making purchases for this season we were guided by this knowledge of your preferences and purchased assortments of desirable, serviceable and appropriate things, greater than have ever before been assembled in this store. The whole store is full of practical, useful, sensible Christmas gifts at the most attractive prices.

This Store Will be Open Every Evening Till Christmas

LUNCHEON SERVED FREE  
TO OUT OF TOWN  
PATRONS

**THOE. F. SWAN**

"Elgin's Most Popular Store"

CARFARE REFUNDED ACCORDING TO AMOUNT OF PURCHASE



**Holiday Gifts**

**The True Christmas Spirit**  
"And we shall make our kind thoughts live in the remembrance we Give."

To perpetuate this beautiful thought, it is advisable to buy Gifts of a permanent nature; it is fitting to have them beautiful; it is important to select those of good quality - besides, it is well to have them useful. There is something delightfully personal about gifts of Jewelry. Its popularity for Christmas remembrances is the best evidence that it is the right thing to buy.

**AND THE ROVELSTAD QUALITY**

The well known Quality Merchandise carried by this store makes it the logical place to purchase your Holiday Gifts. Our stock now is superb, our facilities were never better, our willingness to serve you well, truly sincere. We want to make it worth your while to trade with us. May we suggest a few of the things that seem especially pleasing to early buyers?

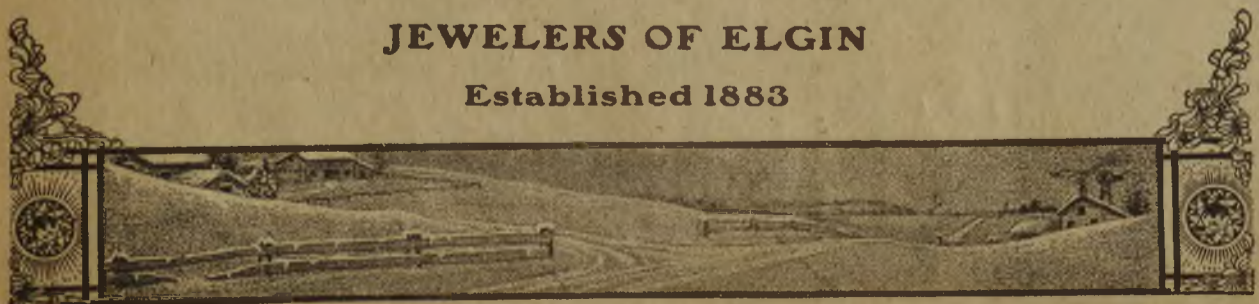
- The Beautiful Line of Neck Chains at Moderate Prices.
- The Gold Bracelets which never were prettier.
- Diamond Jewelry, from the inexpensive to the finest.
- Sterling Silver flatware in sets and fancy single pieces.
- Choice bits of Cut Glass—beautiful cuttings.
- Rings of all kinds—suited to persons of all ages.
- Toilet ware for ladies. Razors and Fountain Pens for men.
- Watches for Ladies, Men and Boys. Very popular this year.
- Many other Good lines which we might mention.

Remember a visit to this store does not incur any obligation to buy. We want every customer to be a satisfied one and will do all in our power to make it a Merry Christmas for all of you.

**ROVELSTAD BROS.**

JEWELERS OF ELGIN

Established 1883





## A Note to You

GENOA, DECEMBER 6, 1912

The purchase of dainty and useful Holiday Gifts, is going merely on here and we would suggest that you do not postpone looking over our stock longer. The lines are as yet full and complete, but diminishing rapidly.

For that particular present for that particular person, come to this particular store. Yours truly,

Phone 83 L. E. CARMICHAEL  
DRUGS, STATIONERY, HOLIDAY GOODS, ETC.

### THAT CLUBBING OFFER

Subscribers who wish to take advantage of the Republican-Journal clubbing offer of The Republican-Journal, Weekly Inter Ocean, Farm and Home and Christmas package should do so this week. The Christmas package will be shipped from New York and orders for same will be sent in on Saturday of this week. After that date it will be too late to be of any advantage to those wishing to use the cards and tags this year. If you intend to take advantage of this most liberal offer, call today or tomorrow. As noted in last week's adv. the offer holds good until the first of the year. If you do not care for the Christmas package the three papers at \$1.50 are still a big bargain.

Big sale of coats at Olmsted's. Xmas goods, toys, etc. at Olmsted's.

See the new serge and silk dresses at F. W. Olmsted's.

F. H. Holroyd transacted business in the windy city Wednesday.

L. M. Olmsted was a Chicago visitor Wednesday.

R. B. Field was in Chicago Friday attending the stock show.

Garfield Pierce attended the stock show in Chicago last week.

Miss Hazel Goding visited relatives in Byron the fore part of the week.

Alfred and G. W. Buck attended the stock show in Chicago last Thursday.

The Genoa basket ball team was defeated by the Sycamore team last Thursday by a score of 47 to 17.

Poland China boars for sale at \$15.00 and \$20.00. Pekin ducks also for sale. Inquire of Fred G. Patterson, Genoa 11-21.\*

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Tuthill and daughters, Maude and Esther, spent Thanksgiving day at the home of Mrs. Tuthill's brother, A. V. Pierce.

A masquerade dance will be given at Lanan's hall in Kingston on Friday evening of this week. Tickets 75 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Furr and son were in Chicago Friday and Saturday.

Millinery sale at F. W. Olmsted's; all hats will be sold at big reduction.

Mrs. L. J. Kiernan and Mrs. F. O. Swan and daughter were Elgin visitors Wednesday.

The Ladies' Aid Society will serve dinner at the M. E. church New Year's Day.

Ladies', Misses' and children's coats all put on sale at F. W. Olmsted's for Xmas shoppers.

For sale, thoroughbred Hereford bull. Inquire of F. C. Bowen, Genoa, Ill. R. F. D. 3, 12 1/2. All the very latest styles in coats at Olmsted's and these coats are all put on sale Saturday morning, Dec. 14.

Engraved calling cards would make a most acceptable Christmas gift. Call at this office and see samples now. These must be ordered at least a week in advance of the date wanted. Do not delay, order today.

Gift pictures at Slater & Son's from 5c to \$50.

Mrs. Jennie Gordon was a Chicago passenger last Thursday.

John Bauman of Belvidere was here Wednesday calling on relatives and friends.

Kenneth Woleben of Marengo has been a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. W. Brown.

Miss Jennie Pierce of Sherman Hospital, Elgin, called on her parents here the first of the week.

Butter sold for 35 cents on the Elgin board of trade Monday, the price being declared firm at that price.

Ralph Rich of South Dakota was a Sunday guest at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Emma Corson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Winke of Broadlands, Ill., has been visiting at the home of the latter's brother, John Lembke.

The old time dance at the opera house last Friday evening was well attended considering the condition of the roads.

Many useful as well as appropriate Christmas gifts can be found in our immense stock of Quality Furniture. Slater & Son. Don't forget, Young's Home Bakery is the place to get good things to eat. Strict attention paid to children. 32-1f

For sale, Choice Poland China boars, at reasonable prices. Wm. Graham, Genoa, Ill., R. D. No. 1. Phone 923 05. 11-1f

The Genoa Center school, district No. 7, will give a basket social and entertainment at the school house December 13. Everybody invited.

A PICTURE makes an appropriate Xmas Gift. Our line of gift pictures, now on display, is the largest and most complete line ever offered to the people of this section. Slater & Son.

The "Old Tyme Dancing Club" which has been giving a series of dances during the past two seasons, has been revived. The first dance of the season will be given on Friday evening of next week.

Thos. Keene Gale did not disappoint the audience at the M. E. church last Friday evening. He is all that had been claimed for him, an able elocutionist. After such an entertainment a person may go home with the feeling of having wasted no time.

Miss Agnes Williams, former teacher in the Genoa high school, now here as agent for a set of reference books, was pleasantly surprised at the home of Mrs. O. M. Barcus last Friday evening by the girl members of the senior class, the majority of whom were students under her.

The bazaar and chicken pie dinner held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mackey, in Riley on Friday, Dec. 6, was well attended and nearly one hundred dollars were raised. Eighty dollars are yet to be raised and we hope before long to have the furnace installed. We wish to thank all those who so generously responded and helped make this affair a success. Sec'y.

The Charles Brandemuhl farm of 200 acres, three miles east of Genoa; was sold last week to Charlie Rafferty of Earlville, Ill., thru the Geithman & Hammond Land Agency of this city. The J. W. Rieser farm six miles east of Genoa was also sold to the same man. Thru the same agency P. A. Quanstrong's house at the corner First and Washington streets was sold to Charles Brandemuhl.

Don't leave carcasses of animals lying around or carelessly bury them, for this invites dogs and crows, and they spread disease. Call J. Kunzler at the rendering plant or at his residence and he will properly remove them. Notice, however, must be given immediately on death of the animal and hide must be left on. Residence phone H. Wiedeman, No. 351. We pay telephone charges. 13-1f

Come in and look over our line of beautiful gift pictures before making your Christmas gift purchases. Slater & Son.

Furs, Furs, at Olmsted's.

Beautiful fur sets at Olmsted's. See Olmsted's big line of holiday goods.

Neck pieces and muffs at Olmsted's in all kinds of furs.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Richardson were Chicago visitors Wednesday.

Wm. White is still confined to his bed, having been in a serious condition during the past week.

For sale, several Chester White Boars. Inquire of Robert M. Anderson, Genoa, Ill., 11-31.\*

Mass will be celebrated at St. Catherine's church next Sunday at 9:30 o'clock instead of 9:15 as heretofore. Services at Kirkland at 11:00.

Winter has arrived after a delay of several weeks according to regular schedule. Mercury registered two below Thursday morning.

The gift of gifts for any woman is a nice set of furs. Olmsted has anticipated your wishes in this line. Call and see the fine display. All prices.

Derailed cars on the Illinois Central at Colvin Park Monday morning delayed traffic several hours. No serious damage resulted other than the delay.

Miss Elma Smock is here this week assisting in arranging a new filing system at the Exchange Bank. She will soon leave for her new home in California.

H. E. Vandresser has invested in a new wood sawing machine and gasoline engine, all mounted on the same truck, making it handy to run into any yard.

Nickel plated copper ware at Perkins & Rosenfeld's. A carving set or a set of kitchen utensils would make sensible gifts. Call at our store for timely suggestions.

Engraved calling cards or embossed correspondence cards at The Republican-Journal office. Just the thing for a Christmas gift. Call and see the elegant line of samples. Orders should be in early.

A pocket knife for the boy for Christmas is just the thing. There is nothing that will please boy (or man either) better than a good knife. The warranted kind at Perkins & Rosenfeld's.

A brooch, ring, bracelet, necklace, pin, charm, souvenir spoons and a thousand other things at Martin's. This is the real headquarters for Christmas gifts which will be appreciated.

Mrs. Bernard Schevers of Elgin is at Young's Bakery Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week with a beautiful line of hand painted china, which will be offered for sale.

A diamond is the top notcher of all Christmas gifts. Why not let Martin figure with you on a gem. You may be assured of getting the value of the money. This assurance is not assurance if buying of a stranger.

E. H. Richardson was brought to trial before Justice Fred Awe at New Lebanon Saturday for selling liquors on Sunday. The justice rendered his decision Tuesday, in favor of the defendant, the latter being found not guilty.

Have you seen those hand painted plates at Martin's? Better look them over now before the best are selected. They or anything else selected will be laid aside for you until Christmas time if you desire.

County Agriculturist Eckhardt will talk on alfalfa, clover and soy beans, their place in farming at the institute to be held in Genoa on the 17th. Do not fail to attend in the afternoon and hear this talk. It is of value to the farmers of this particular part of the country.

Jas. R. Kiernan has razed the barn which stood at the rear of his store on Main street and will erect in its place a modern private garage. The structure will be constructed of cement blocks and be fire proof. All the modern conveniences are to be installed for repairing and proper care of automobiles.

No matter what size your purse, you can make selections at Olmsted's for the entire family.

Olmsted's line of holiday goods is bigger and better than ever. Every corner from basement to second floor filled with holiday suggestions.

Elmer Harshman was called to Sterling Wednesday on account of the serious illness of his brother. During his absence S. H. Matteson is acting as city marshal and superintendent of streets.

She will never be happy until she has a set of furs. They would make an ideal Christmas gift. F. W. Olmsted.

Regular meeting of the city council Friday evening of this week. The proposed franchise for the Illinois Northern Utilities Co. will probably again be brought before the council. Every business man and others in Genoa

who are interested should make an effort to attend this meeting. The aldermen will be pleased to get the opinion of their constituents. It is a matter which should be carefully handled.

Miss Polly Branch of the Handy Kraft Shop, DeKalb, will be at the home of Mrs. D. S. Brown Wednesday, Dec. 18, from one to five o'clock with a few attractive and inexpensive articles suitable for Christmas giving. You are invited to call.

**Making Sure of the Present.**  
Mgr. Donner, archbishop of Bordeaux, was taken to task for his friendly intercourse with the Protestant minister in that city. The very tolerant prince of the church replied: "Pray allow me to have the pleasure of seeing him in this world, as I am not so sure of meeting him in the next."

**Invitation to Failure.**  
A large proportion of the failures in life are to be found in the ranks of the chronic leavers.—Orison Swett Marden.

## Apples Apples

We still have about 40 barrels of those fine New York apples left out of the car which we recently received. They are keeping fine. If you want a fancy barrel of apples for the holidays please let us know at once as they are going fast. The cheap Michigan stock is about all gone.

### LUTE FISH

Den Basta Sorten Importerede Fran Norge

## E. C. OBERG

## EACO WINGED-HORSE FLOUR

Highest Grade in the World

Those who have used it are confident that the above statement is true. It gives the best results, because it is the best. It's in a class by itself.

### Your Money Back

if it is not as represented.

### IRA W. DOUGLASS

PHONE NO. 67

## LUNGS SORE, CHEST FEELS STUFFY, COUGH DRY AND DEEP. CAUGHT A SEVERE COLD

These Symptoms Call for Dr. King's New Discovery, With a Record of Cures for Over 43 Years Back of It.

Dr. King's New Discovery is not a cure all. It is prepared to treat and relieve every kind of cough and cold of infants, children, adults and aged. It was originated during a severe cough epidemic 43 years ago, was an immediate success and is probably the most used cough and cold prescription in the world. Your money refunded if Dr. King's New Discovery does not relieve you.

Don't put off getting relief. Buy a bottle from your druggist today.

"It cured me of a dreadful cough," writes Mrs. J. F. Davis, Stickey Corner, Me., "after doctor's treatment and all other remedies had failed." Excellent for coughs, colds or any bronchial affection.

Mrs. A. F. Mertz, of Glen Ellyn, Ia., writes: "I had a hard, stubborn cough that I had doctored for over six weeks without my getting any better. Our druggist finally recommended Dr. King's New Discovery, and my husband bought a dollar bottle. After using two-thirds of it my trouble eased down, and it was not long till I was completely cured. Dr. King's New Discovery surely deserves all the praise it gets." Sold by

## L. E. CARMICHAEL

# What Shall I Buy For Him?

The Question is Easily Answered at this Great Store for Boys and Men

This season we have brought together the finest line of gifts for men and boys ever shown in Genoa, and every item is of value because it is useful.

## SUIT OR OVERCOAT

would of course make an ideal and most acceptable gift. If the garment does not fit it will be altered after the holidays or exchanged for one that will fit and please the recipient. If you do not care to spend that amount of money, there are hundreds of other items in men's and boys' wear which will please.

## HERE ARE A FEW SUGGESTIONS

Dress Shirts.....	\$ 50 to \$2.00	Necktie rings.....	.50 to .75
Wool Shirts.....	1.50 to 2.50	6 Handkerchiefs in burnt wood box	1.00
Silk Lined Gloves.....	1.00	Necktie, tie pin and clasp to match, in burnt wood box.....	1.00
Unlined kid gloves.....	1.00	Necktie, tie pin and cuff buttons to match, in burnt wood box.....	1.00
Lamb skin and rabbit skin lined gloves.....	1.50 to 2.50	Necktie and pin to match in fancy box.....	.50
Fleece lined gloves.....	1.00	Pair of Paris garters in burnt wood box.....	.25
Fur lined mittens and gloves for men and boys.....	1.00 to 2.50	Pair arm bands in burnt wood box.....	.25
Mufflers.....	.25 to 1.50	Necktie in burnt wood box.....	.50
Sweater Coats for men.....	.50 to 6.00	Silk socks and tie to match in burnt wood box.....	1.25
Sweater Coats for boys.....	.50 to 2.50	Suspenders in burnt wood box.....	.50
Big line of fine neckwear at.....	.25 to .50	Muffler in burnt wood box.....	.50
Silk and pure linen handkerchiefs.....	.25 to .50	Pair socks and tie to match in fancy box.....	.50
Umbrellas for men.....	1.00 to 4.00	Holeproof, Shawnit and Everwear Hosiery, put up six pairs in fancy box and guaranteed for six months, for.....	1.50
Suit cases.....	1.00 to 5.50		
Traveling bags.....	1.25 to 6.00		
Wool Caps for men and boys.....	.50 to 2.00		
Fur Caps for men and boys.....	2.00 to 5.00		
Fancy vests, all sizes.....	2.50 to 4.00		
Collar bags.....	.50 to 1.00		

The above are merely suggestions and do not begin to enumerate the many things here for suitable gifts. There are Pajamas, bath robes, underwear, Walk-Over shoes, in fact everything for man or boy. Call and see us now.

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# The Republican Journal

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GENOA, ILLINOIS.

## DISFIGURING THE LANDSCAPE.

An agricultural paper makes a strong protest against the too common practice in the rural districts of "disfiguring fences, barns and other buildings, trees, etc., with glaring signs." There might have been included in the list of great sprawling billboards which are to be seen along railroads and highways at frequent intervals, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. A large amount of picturesque scenery is marred in this way. Nothing is sacred to the enterprising advertiser who is interested in keeping his wares before the public eye. It requires the consent of the property owners to disfigure buildings and beautiful landscapes in this way, but as some farmers and landowners find it to be a source of some small revenue, they are more than willing to permit the advertiser to work his will in such matters. But the farmer gets very little money out of the transaction, and only succeeds in detracting from the appearance of his property. There are many farmers who do not realize that there is a money value to them in keeping their farms and buildings in good order. A good beginning in that direction is by keeping the premises clear of things which are likely to be distasteful to passersby.

The use of the automobile has increased with great rapidity, and it has been inevitable that with the increase in use there would be an increase in the number of accidents, even though there should be, as a rule, an increase in the care exercised. Fatalities from horse-drawn vehicles have so long been a matter of course that they have attracted less attention than fatalities caused by automobiles, although until recently the number of the former has greatly exceeded the latter. In New York city thus far this year the fatalities recorded are 138, year the deaths caused by wagons number 117. Last year, in the same month, wagons caused the death of 111 persons, while automobiles killed only 79. It will thus be seen that the fatalities caused by automobiles in New York city have increased nearly 100 per cent, while the number chargeable to wagons was nearly stationary. These, however, are the figures for a densely populated city, and it is altogether probable that if the figures could be compiled for the entire country they would show that accidents to horse-drawn vehicles still outnumber those to automobiles, as was ascertained to be the case in England last year.

A young woman living near Syracuse has just died as the result of a "joke." Someone pulled a chair from under her while she was out in company, "there was a general laugh, in which she joined to hide her pain," and she died of peritonitis at a hospital four days afterward. Next July there will be a chance for some of her humorous friends to set a cannon cracker under somebody's chair, says the Buffalo Express. It is good to have minds that see the pleasant side of life in that way.

"There never can be any real and lasting peace in this country until world's championship baseball games have been eliminated from the sporting calendar," says the Chicago Tribune. The contemporary seems disposed to adopt the traditional method of pacification, namely: Creating a desert and calling it peace.

It is now said that steamboats and trains spread disease. But this in no sense lifts the responsibility for the same ill-doing from the house fly and the mosquito.

It is considered worthy of note that a laborer with \$50,000 continued to labor at two dollars a day. He might just as well have blown it acquiring a headache.

Counterfeiting has decreased in this country during the past year, according to police reports. The gang must be working on those new \$1,000 bills.

Los Angeles has opened a school where girls are taught dressing as a fine art. If they were taught dressing as a culinary art, there might be some good accomplished.

The Paris Matin tells us that the man who understands women is never desired of them. But this disability will not handicap most men of average intelligence.

A woman has just died from blood poisoning, due to sticking her hat pin into her head. Usually some one besides the user of the pin has been the victim.

Aviators in Germany are paid \$37 a month—and that death accounting for the scarcity of German aviators.

Chicago has a school for brides, but all graduates are not guaranteed a position.

# MONEY QUIZ IS ON

BANK HEAD, ON STAND, TELLS HOW MEMBERSHIP WAS REFUSED.

## STATEMENT ISSUED BY PUJO

Chairman of Committee, That Has Resumed Investigation of Alleged Trust, Declares Reports of Dissection as to the Probe Are False.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The house money trust investigating committee got down to work after a recess of several months. The program for the next few days includes the calling as witnesses of several New York bankers, among them Jacob H. Schiff, and some representatives of the New York stock exchange.

**William W. Cloud First Witness.**  
The first witness was William W. Cloud, president of the State Bank of Maryland. Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the committee, took up his examination. Mr. Cloud said his bank had applied for clearing house privileges, but had been refused, because it was not a member of the Baltimore clearing house, but desired to clear through another bank that was a member of the clearing house.

"Does the Baltimore clearing house prescribe rules which prevent a bank making its own price for exchange on out of town checks?" asked Mr. Untermyer.

"Yes, it amounts to that," answered Mr. Cloud.

"But that is throttling competition, isn't it?"

"Well, I wouldn't say 'throttling,'" said the witness.

**John R. Bland Takes Stand.**

John R. Bland, president of the United States Fidelity and Guaranty company, followed Mr. Cloud on the stand.

Mr. Bland said that his company had sought in vain to obtain the privilege of clearing out of town checks through its banks of deposit which were members of the association or to get full membership in the association. Within the last few weeks, he declared, he had been given to understand that arrangements were being made by the clearing house to "take care" of the trust companies.

"As a result of the agitation of this committee your object has been accomplished?" suggested Mr. Untermyer.

"Well, I could not say as to that."

**Clearing House Rules Shown.**

Eugene Levering, president of the National Bank of Commerce of Baltimore and chairman of the clearing house executive committee, produced the constitution and rules of the Baltimore clearing house.

Among the other witnesses on hand to testify were C. A. Pugsley, president of the New York Bankers' association; W. E. Frew, chairman of the New York Clearing House association; Charles E. Rushman, counsel for Mr. Frew; Robert Wardrop, president of the People's National bank of Pittsburg, and Harrison Nesbit, president of the National Bank of Pittsburg.

At the opening session Chairman Pujó made a statement in which he repudiated published reports of what purported to be the committee's intentions for the course of the inquiry.

"At no time has there ever been any friction, misunderstanding or difference, either among the members or with or without counsel," he said. "The utmost harmony has prevailed from the beginning and the reports to the contrary have been sheer fabrications. Nor is there any authority for the persistent published report as to proposed remedies or legislation. The question has never been before the committee."

## BRITISH PROTEST IS FILED

England Says This Concession Is a Clear Violation of the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty.

Washington, Dec. 10.—The protest of Great Britain against the principle of free tolls for American ships in an American canal was filed officially here with Secretary Knox, and simultaneously in the British parliament, the main points in the protest being that such free tolls are a clear violation of the Clayton-Bulwer and Hay-Pauncefote treaties.

The case of Great Britain was prepared by Sir Edward Grey, minister of foreign affairs, and was communicated to Secretary Knox by Mr. James Bryce, the British ambassador, accompanied by the counsellor of the British embassy, Mr. Mitchell Innes.

It is only a fiction of diplomacy to say that the protest was made known here only now. The president has been aware of the protest, and has been considering it for some weeks, according to two of his cabinet officers, and he has had the answer under advisement.

Summarized, this government is from now on officially engaged on the solution of two questions arising out of the protest:

First—Whether it presents an arbitrable question.

Second—Whether the United States will submit the matter to arbitration.

**Violation at Polls Told.**

Stuebenville, O., Dec. 11.—Grand jury in election frauds heard high school boys in probe of report that three county candidates hired students with \$5 per day to pass out cards at polls last November contrary to law and failed to report expenses, another violation.

# SIR EDWARD GREY.



England's minister of foreign affairs, who has just presented to Secretary Knox Great Britain's formal protest against the United States exempting coastwise ships from paying toll through Panama canal.

## UNARMED MOSLEMS KILLED BY "CHRISTIAN" SOLDIERS

Balkan War Correspondent Says Massacre by Bulgarian Irregular Troops Was Most Atrocious.

Louisburg, C. B., Dec. 11.—The British accounts have been telegraphed to their governments by the German, French, English and Italian consuls of massacres of unarmed Moslems by the Balkan Christian soldiers in the environs of Saloniki, says the Vienna correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, who describes the horrors as the most appalling of any known in history. The massacres, he says, were accompanied by indescribable tortures and indignities.

An undated Saloniki dispatch says that official reports of the atrocities committed by the Bulgarian irregulars make terrible reading. It is alleged that a party of 500 Mohammedans were shot down. Greek soldiers with difficulty managed to rescue the women and children.

A Constantinople dispatch to the Standard says it is rumored that the Greeks who landed in the Gulf of Saros have suffered defeat at the hands of the Turks in attempting to march on Gallipoli.

No explanation is forthcoming of the sudden resignation of the Austro-Hungarian minister of war, General Auffenberg, and the chief of general staff, General Schemua, handed in last night. They have said their action was due to personal reasons, but coming at this time it cannot be doubted that it will have a wide political significance.

It has been expected that in the event of war Gen. von Hoetzendorf would be appointed chief of staff, and his appointment now to succeed General Schemua, with the news of the renewal of the dreibund and that Austria and Hungary have negotiated temporary loans of \$50,000,000, cannot but have a disquieting effect on the international situation.

## AUERBACH GIVEN LIFE TERM

Victim Was Slain in Michigan Woods While Hunting With Convicted Man.

Baldwin, Mich., Dec. 10.—Oscar M. Auerbach was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Jackson penitentiary by Circuit Judge Withy for the murder of Harry W. Fisher, Chicago real estate promoter, who was found dead in the woods near his farm with a bullet through his back.

A jury had found Auerbach guilty of first degree murder after being out 12 hours.

Fisher, his wife and children and Auerbach came here late last summer, taking up their residence on a fruit farm which Fisher recently had purchased near Big Star lake. On the morning of September 19, taking with them only a high power rifle, the two men went into the woods to hunt partridges. A short time afterward Auerbach rushed into a near by farmhouse and reported that Fisher had been accidentally shot. The dead man's body was carried to an undertaker's establishment in this place, and, according to evidence given at the trial, both Mrs. Fisher and Auerbach endeavored to have it shipped to Iiwa without the formality of a coroner's inquest. The inquest was held, however, and Auerbach was held responsible for shooting.

Fisher's life was insured for \$200,000, the policies being made payable to his widow. It was the theory of the prosecution that friendship between Auerbach and Mrs. Fisher was the motive for the murder.

## ASYLUM SWEEP BY FIRE

Two Hundred Children Escape From St. Francis Institution at Baltimore, Md.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 11.—Fire swept the fourth floor of the St. Francis Orphan asylum here, and 200 children inmates were hurriedly taken out safely. For a time it was feared several had been lost, but all were accounted for. Sisters risked their lives to save their little charges.

# T. R. IN ULTIMATUM

TELLS PROGRESSIVES, REPUBLICANS MUST COME IN WITH-OUT RESERVATION.

## SPEAKS AT CHICAGO MEET

Former President Calls "Bull Moosers" the Only Legates of the Principles of Abraham Lincoln—Future Must Determine New Leader.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Theodore Roosevelt, private in the ranks by his own insistence, passed the charge for battle on to the Progressive fighting force in beginning his speech at the Progressive conference at the Hotel La Salle by stating that no compromise with the Republican party will be considered.

"Every honest man of the rank and file of the Republican party can get back to the Republicanism of Abraham Lincoln by getting into the Progressive party," he declared in opening. "Some of those gentlemen talk about getting together. They can get together all right. They can come in. That's the only way they can get together."

The 1,500 delegates from every state in the Union, who packed the room, greeted this declaration of "no compromise" with cheers.

**Would Bar About 100 Men.**

"There are only about 100 we would rule out," continued Colonel Roosevelt. "The others can come in and subscribe to our platform, and then will have their votes counted as they vote. They will not be cheated."

"If they vote in the primary one way, the national committee of the Progressive party will not make them vote another way. Come into our party, that's the only way they can ever get together."

Referring to the Republican bosses who controlled the Republican convention, the colonel said: "We will get together with them as a policeman gets together with a pickpocket."

"The Republican national committee," the colonel continued, "Boss Barnes and his 52 men, absolutely controlled what was left of the Republican party, and they would not permit of any getting together that would deprive them of this control."

**Renews Pledge of Fealty.**

He renewed his pledge of fealty to every plank in the Progressive platform. He went further and described the need for a number of specific laws which will work toward better social and industrial conditions. He called upon the Progressives in congress and those in the state legislature to hold meetings at their earliest convenience to plan the action which will accomplish most toward carrying out the Progressive platform.

He urged the national committee-men and other Progressives to go home and start campaigns of publicity in their several communities, that the people may understand the aims of the Progressive party. He made plain his belief that the Progressive party should force the fighting and carry it on without quarter or compromise until its measures for greater social and industrial justice are put into active force.

**Time Will Develop Leaders.**

"In the matter of leadership," he said in concluding, "we may trust the events of the next year or two to develop our ablest and most resourceful men; and for every position the leader must be chosen, not in the least with reference to the needs of the people. No man should come into this party with the idea that he can establish a claim upon it; he must be content with the opportunity it offers for service and for sacrifice."

He made reference to the interests which seek control of the two old parties. They use conservatism merely as a cloak to protect their grip, he said. "They most urgently need to learn," he declared, "that sitting on the safety valve is not the right way to prevent revolutions."

Then turning to those critics who declare the Progressives would destroy the Constitution, he asserted that the new party is the only one which is trying sincerely to preserve it. The Progressives are trying to make the Constitution a more efficient instrument for securing justice for all the people, he said. Unless that is done, a desperate people will nullify it all, good as well as bad.

**Reviews Needed Legislation.**

The colonel reviewed the whole field of needed legislation in the course of his speech. Among the measures whose enactment he urged was an endowment for widowed mothers and a group of regulations intended to improve the conditions of rural life. He declared for extension of agricultural demonstration work and proposed a plan of government assistance in farm loans that will tend to stem the increase in tenant farmers.

## CAPPER GIVES UP CONTEST

Defeated Republican Candidate for Governor of Kansas Says He Was Elected by 3,000 Plurality.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 11.—Arthur Capper, Republican candidate for governor, defeated by George Hodges, Democrat, by a plurality of 29 on official returns, will not make contest before the senate or before the courts. In a signed statement Capper says he believes he was elected by 3,000 plurality, if there could have been a recount before the legislative session, began.

# SENATOR BOURNE



Senator Jonathan Bourne of Oregon has announced that he will remain in the Republican party and work for its regeneration along progressive lines.

## GOVERNORS OF 20 STATES GUESTS OF THE PRESIDENT

Luncheon Followed by Conference on Rural Credits and Farmers' Co-Operative Banks.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Governors of more than 20 states moved on to Washington from the Richmond conference and were luncheon guests of President and Mrs. Taft and participated in a special conference on rural credits and farmers' co-operative banks in the east room of the White House.

President Taft, who is deeply interested in the subject, has made many speeches in favor of the plan and months ago urged every state executive to make a close investigation of it with a view to the adoption of uniform legislation by the states.

In addition to the governors who have been in attendance at the conference just ended in Richmond the president sent invitations to the four governors-elect now serving out unexpired terms in congress.

Secretary of State Knox, Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, Myron T. Herrick, American ambassador to France, and Senator Fletcher of Florida, who are keeping close watch on the progress of the credit plan, also attended.

President Taft was the principal speaker, and addresses were made by Mr. Herrick and Senator Fletcher. The old mortgage system, by means of which farmers have financed their ventures, it is urged, is completely inadequate, and agricultural experts point to the fact that banks wish to make shorter loans than will be useful to the farmer.

President Taft has urged co-operative credit to meet this situation.

Just what measures are desirable he wished investigating commissions to determine. The co-operative agricultural bank has been developed to a high point in Germany, where the Raiffeisen system is in general vogue. The basis of this is the establishment of small banks which can lend money on long time at a low rate of interest to small farmers. None of the banks is large and each ministers to a few hundred peasant farmers within a parish.

The bank's management is made absolutely democratic, however, and the administrative committee is chosen from the community to which the loans are made.

## MANY JUDGES AT WEDDING

Entire Bench of Supreme Court of Tennessee See Chief Justice J. K. Shields Married.

New York, Dec. 9.—The entire bench of the supreme court of Tennessee, as well as many society people from Nashville and Knoxville, attended the wedding of John K. Shields, chief justice of the Tennessee supreme court, to Mrs. Jeannette Swenson Dodson Cowen, in St. Bartholomew's church. Mrs. Dodson was given away by her son, a Princeton student. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was given at the Ritz-Carlton hotel.

## U. S. SAILORS IN SHIPWRECK

Seventy Members of South Carolina Have Narrow Escape When Vessel Is Dashed on Rocks.

Galveston, Tex., Dec. 9.—Seventy members of the U. S. S. South Carolina, in charge of Ensign Collier, were shipwrecked in the road. They left the wharf at midnight for the ship, and were dashed against the rock jets by the high wind and tide. Several members of the crew were severely cut and bruised, but none fatally injured. They were rescued by a lighthouse keeper and cared for until sent for by the ship.

## Boat Hits Snag; One Drowns.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 10.—A watchman was drowned and six other men narrowly escaped the same fate when the towboat Scout collided with piles in the Ohio river near Neville island and sank. The name of the drowned man is not yet known.

**Prohibitionist Killed by Fall.**  
Scranton, Pa., Dec. 9.—Charles T. Hawley, Prohibition candidate for governor of Pennsylvania in 1894, was killed by a fall from the porch of his home here.

# CINCINNATI IS AFIRE

ENTIRE BUSINESS SECTION OF CITY ENGULFED BY THE FLAMES.

## VICTIMS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Fire Is Absolutely Beyond Control and Is Sweeping Everything Before It—Starts in Gibson House—\$1,000,000 Loss to Date.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 11.—A conflagration, the greatest in the history of Cincinnati in many years, and which at this hour is beyond the control of the fire department, is sweeping the most prominent business and hotel block of this city. The loss will be enormous, and at this hour it is believed to be more than a million dollars.

The fire started in the Gibson house, a hotel located on Walnut street, between Fourth and Fifth avenues. The flames spread with remarkable rapidity.

**Flames Beyond Control.**

In less than half an hour the fire was beyond control, despite the efforts of every available company and fireman in the city.

The hotel, at the time, was crowded with guests, who fled panic-stricken through the smoke-filled halls, threatening to jump from the windows, being only restrained from doing so by the combined efforts of the police and firemen.

**Victims Taken to Hospital.**

Three persons have been taken to the city hospital. They are a janitor and several scrub women, taken from the ninth floor of the eighteen-story Trust building, adjoining the hotel on the south, which is also on fire. Three cafes in the Johnston building, adjoining the hotel on the north, have been destroyed. One of the most fashionable jewelry stores in the town has been destroyed. The Postal Telegraph company's office, just across the alley, in the rear of the Gibson house, was in imminent danger of being destroyed, and it was only through the efforts of the firemen that the flames have been kept from this building at this hour.

**Shopping District Doomed.**

The fashionable shopping district on Fourth avenue, that part of which is in the fire zone, is doomed. The Wigwag block, wherein are located the offices of the National baseball commission and the Cincinnati Exhibition company, is in the direct path of the onrushing flames, and all records of these concerns were endangered. Several of the sporting writers on the local papers hurried to the offices and guarded the records from the fire.

**Fire Breaks Out in Mine.**

Butte, Mont., Dec. 11.—Fire broke out here in the Stewart mine of the Amalgamated group. The flames are not yet under control.

## SAYS OIL TRUST AIDED REVOLT

Deputy in Speech Declares H. Clay Pierce Offered 4,000,000 Pesos During Revolution.

Mexico City, Dec. 11.—That the Standard Oil company did aid the Madero revolution was the charge made by Roque Gonzales Garza in a speech in the chamber of deputies. Garza was secretary to Madero at the time of the revolution, and later occupied the position of provisional minister of the interior.

Garza declared that Gustave Madero, brother of the president, went to New York to confer with H. Clay Pierce, who, he alleged, offered 4,000,000 pesos. The leader of the revolution, however, when the proposition was submitted to him, rejected it. Garza added that although the Pierce offer was refused, the Standard Oil company later contributed aid.

Cheche Campos, one of the principal rebel leaders, was defeated at Sombrerete, in the state of Zacatecas. He was seriously wounded and is reported to have died during the retreat.

## RUNS AMUCK IN OHIO JAIL

Prisoner Suffering from Delirium Tremens Injures Superintendent and Fellow Inmates at Lima.

Lima, O., Dec. 10.—Armed with a heavy iron bar, with which he felled prisoners right and left, Herbert Mowery, thirty-five years old, ran amuck in the outside corridor of the city prison and, after injuring a dozen or more prisoners and Workhouse Superintendent W. H. Workman, jumped from the second story window of the jail and fled. Police captured him after he had terrorized pedestrians on the public square. Three of the prisoners and Superintendent Workman are in a serious condition.

Mowery has been confined to the prison a week suffering with what the physicians said was delirium tremens.

## SOLDIERS IN NARROW ESCAPE

Squad of Artillerymen and Officer Near Death When New 14-Inch Gun Explodes.

Sandy Hook, N. J., Dec. 10.—A squad of artillerymen and their commanding officer narrowly escaped death when a new 14-inch gun intended for use in the United States coast fortifications exploded while being tested. The missile was thrown 100 feet away and fragments of the shattered gun carriage narrowly missed the soldiers.

# A HIDDEN DANGER

It is a duty of the kidneys to rid the blood of uric acid, an irritating poison that is constantly forming inside.

When the kidneys fail, uric acid causes rheumatic attacks, headache, dizziness, gravel, urinary troubles, weak eyes, dropsy or heart disease. Doan's Kidney Pills help the kidneys fight off uric acid—bringing new strength to weak kidneys and relief from backache and urinary ills.

A MICHIGAN CASE.  
Mrs. G. W. Burger, 408 Sherman Ave., Corunna, Mich., says: "The pains through the small of my back were so severe that sometimes I could not get out of a chair. If I stooped, I would nearly topple over. I had awful dizzy spells and my household work was a burden. Doan's Kidney Pills helped me from the first and continued use entirely cured me."  
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## GOOD PLAN.



The Parson—Do you say your prayers regularly?  
Rastus—Every night. I sleeps in a folding bed now, sah.

## Lost Trousers Playing Poker.

William Verne appeared in a Detroit police court attired in a dress coat and some underwear—he had bet the trousers in a poker game the evening before and lost. His cash, his watch and his diamonds preceded the trousers into the "bank." The trousers were of good quality, so William bet several blue chips on them. But his luck didn't turn, and when he was cleaned out again he broke up the game by quitting. He begged the loan of the trousers to go home in, but the bank took no risks and declined. So William started in dress coat and underwear and was arrested.

## Two Guesses.

"Well," said the proud father as the doctor entered the room, "what is it—a boy or a girl?"  
"I'll give you two guesses, and even then you won't guess right," said the doctor.

"Tush! nonsense!" said the proud father. "Boy?"

"Nope," said the doctor.

"Ah—girl, then?" said the proud father.

"Nope," said the doctor.

"Ah—I know," said the proud father, sadly.—Harper's Weekly.

## No Call for Anxiety.

The citizen put the solicited coin in the hand of the tramp.  
"And now I want your assurance," he said, "that this money will not be used for any unworthy or unnecessary purpose."

The tramp drew back.  
"You don't think for a minute that I'd waste it on food or clothes, do you?" he indignantly demanded.

## NEVER TIRES Of the Food That Restored Her to Health.

"Something was making me ill and I didn't know the cause," writes a Colo. young lady. "For two years I was thin and sickly, suffering from indigestion and inflammatory rheumatism."

"I had tried different kinds of diet, and many of the remedies recommended, but got no better."

"Finally, Mother suggested that I try Grape-Nuts, and I began at once, eating it with a little cream or milk. A change for the better began at once. To-day I am well and am gaining weight and strength all the time. I've gained 10 lbs. in the last five weeks and do not suffer any more from indigestion, and the rheumatism is all gone."

"I know it is to Grape-Nuts alone that I owe my restored health. I still eat the food twice a day and never tire of it." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

The favour of Grape-Nuts is peculiar to itself. It is neutral, not too sweet and has an agreeable, healthful quality that never grows tiresome.

One of the sources of rheumatism is from overloading the system with acid material, the result of imperfect digestion and assimilation.

As soon as improper food is abandoned and Grape-Nuts is taken regularly, digestion is made strong, the organs do their work of building up good red blood cells and of carrying away the excess of disease-making material from the system.

The result is a certain and steady return to normal health and mental activity. "There's a reason." Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pgs.

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

# The Spirit of Christmas



Columbine.

On the left, just past the weather hen's nest, and not more than two steps from the box where they keep the cuckoo, there is the long bed where roses bloom all the year round. And they grow like this so that Columbine may always have one to stick in her hair, and that odd, mocking, soft-hearted cynic Pierrot may cull one now and again to twiddle between his teeth.

If you know the way, and the Cheshire cat will let you, you walk down the garden path, past the butterfly lime, and arrive at the neatest little cottage in Olympus.

Now this is the dwelling place of the Harlequin set—Harlequin, Columbine, Clown and Pantaloon. It is one cottage in a little colony on the lower slopes of Mount Olympus (where the high gods dwell: Jupiter and the like), and is most important because it contains the oldest inhabitants.

The Clerk of the Weather lives a little higher up. The Four Queens and Kings live in a square of pagoda-like houses, and are waited upon by the Knaves. Pierrot and Pierrette live in romantic seclusion by a pool in a tumble-down place covered with blue roses. And away behind the fields of stars where the flocks of clouds graze, there is another village where the Seven Princesses live, and the Third Son and an Ogre, and a Talking Rabbit, and all those peculiar and beautiful people who are entangled in our minds with the memories of night nurseries, and the scent of our mothers who bent over us in wonderful toilettes, and told us to go to sleep, or they'd be late for dinner.

When it gets to be about Christmas there is a sort of aroma of excitement on the lower slopes of Olympus, and, especially in the house where Harlequin lives—a delicious sense of something exciting happening.

Columbine opens the lid of the well that looks down onto the world, and there comes up a murmur of children's voices, and you can hear the quaintest things being said about the hanging up of stockings, and about Santa Claus and the likely width of chimneys, and the running power of reindeer. And there is a tremendous rustle of colored paper, and a great run on almonds and raisins, and quite respectable citizens stand in front of shop windows gazing at dolls and dolls gaze back at them, so that the citizens go back forty years at a rush, and the rush is so great sometimes that they get tears in their eyes; for memory is quicker than motor cars, and the road it travels is often dark and broken.

So Columbine leaves the top of the well open all day and all night, and all the people in her cottage sleep with their windows open, so that the sweetly laden air comes up and gives them wonderful dreams. It does more than that. It waves the branches of the Christmas tree that grows at the bottom of the garden, near the sausage frames, and very soon candles begin to bud on its branches.

Now when the candles begin to get ripe, which happens at the same time that geese and turkeys hang in rows in shops and grow rosettes all over them, Harlequin takes an old, oaken pipe from a cupboard under the stairs, and they all sit round while he puts it to his lips and blows.

As he plays, dreams come to them of their ancient days, for Harlequin is first cousin to Mercury, and wears a black mask to hide the light of his face when he visits Columbine, who is Psyche, the Soul; the Clown is Momus, the Spirit of Laughter; and Pantaloon is Charon, who has that grim work of ferrying the souls over the Styx.

There's an odd link of memories and of things held all through the centuries, but the most charming is this: Columbine is a flower-like person, and there is a flower called Columbine, and it is so called because it is like four doves with outspread wings, and the French dove is colombe, and the dove is the symbol of the soul. So the world is never allowed to forget beautiful things, even if the burden of history is borne on the back of a flower. And the god-like glow and glitter of Mercury's limbs still shows in the glistening sequins on Harlequin's clothes, part-colored as they have always been, to show how he covered his nakedness with rags.

All this, beautified by the essence of Time, like things put away in a cedar chest, comes back when Harlequin blows on his pipe that air the shepherds learnt in Greece from Pan.

The next night Clown will take out another kind of pipe, a long churchwarden of white clay, and fill it with tobacco, and then as the fragrant clouds roll up into the rafters, memories come of all the great people of the Harlequinades they play down in the world, all inspired by them, and they see the figure of Tarlatan, who was the first clown, and invented the very clothes they now wear, hand in hand with Grimaldi, that great clown. And they seem to see all the great Italian Harlequins, and the dainty French Columbines, and the old dandies of fifteenth-century Venice whose clothes Pantaloon wears.

Do you know that elderly gentlemen in the World smell that magic tobacco, or something like it, and they forget their paunches, or their bald heads, and they sit and dream of the time they went to their first pantomime? Was it "Cinderella," or "Beauty and the Beast"? Or was it that splendid thing "Mother Goose," or that entrancing production "The Yellow Dwarf"?

Such things are conjured up by just that one pipe of tobacco smoked in the cottage on Olympus, and on that night a gentle breeze blows up through the well, laden with the poignant, eternal memories of childhood, and the candles on the Christmas tree are

all ready to be lighted. They are so ready that when Pantaloon looks out of his window before making up his face for the day he sees that the candles have burst into flame-flowers in the night.

Then Columbine takes out a pipe, and she puts some magic soap into nectar and stirs it round with the bowl of the pipe until frothy suds appear. And then she blows bubbles that float up and out of the window until they reach the Christmas tree, when they turn into great, glittering glass balls, all sorts of colors, and show pictures of the world all colored and shining.

The children in the World look up and think they see Harlequin and Columbine floating down as gently as feathers, but they don't say so because their elders would only tell them it was the clouds. But it is Harlequin and Columbine, and Pantaloon and Clown follow soon after, bringing the tree with them.

Now their each to his Columbine to preparing that must this season, easily as a breeze, his magic, things must tiful now, must buy the Indies. And stirring up old memories in dull people, so that uncles must remember all their nephews in remembering when they were nephews themselves, and had a peculiar hunger at Christmas.

Columbine is awfully practical. Her sentiment extends from the joy of watching the making of baby-clothes to the pleasure of remembering to put nice soap in the spare rooms. It is she who sees that children get the right presents, and when they don't it is not her fault, but the fault of some stupid person in a shop.

It is she who suggests the secret delight of keeping presents hidden at the bottom of the wardrobe; and it is she who suggests the secret delight of peering at children when they are asleep.

of the good old times! Holly and mistletoe and robins, and church bells sounding over the snow. And hampers all packed to be sent away, and plenty to eat at home.

And then Columbine steals up to the windows, and taps them with the rose from her hair, and she whispers:

"Open, open to me all you who have no children and no friends and no hope, and I will be the warm, nestling thing you covet for your frozen hearts, and you shall feel my soft cheek against yours till the tears come and your heart takes life again. You shall give joy to other people's children. And if you have no friends who have children, are there not a thousand, thousand children who have no friends? Go to them, and give them all you can, and you will be rewarded almost more than you can bear, for there is a link between those who suffer. Are there not some you have forgotten or neglected? This lonely man, that lonely woman who have left uncared for, perhaps for years. Put on your hat and your coat, and put your heart on your sleeve, so that all may know your errand."

To see her pleading before black, sombre houses where a thin light shines under a blind; to see her face pressed against the window of some big mansion where a man or a woman sits alone with hearts like stone; to see her tears as she essays to melt an aching heart is to see something so touching and beautiful that one almost wonders the doors and windows are not instantly opened to admit the spirit of love she begs for so pitifully.

"Look at yourselves, Messieurs et Mesdames Importance, and remember the funny little things you used to be when you bit at coral and bella, and wore bibs, and thought everybody in the world had enough to eat; when you hated to go to bed early, and crept downstairs in your nightgowns to listen over the banisters to the voices in the dining room; when no jam for tea was a tragedy. And when your mother's knee was the throne of justice and mercy, for you buried your head there with her hand in your hair, and forgot to be afraid of the dark."

Columbine has her own very particular work, and she calls it in her mind Secret Delights. She calls it that because she delights in making up odd names for emotions, as, for instance, when she pointed out two lovers to me one day in the spring, who were seated under a hedge, yellow-flushed with primroses; they were holding hands and looking at the hills beyond just as if some wonderful thing was about to come over the hills to tell them what their feelings meant. And the peace was so great and the moment so held that the World seemed to have stopped breathing, and something superhuman to have poured out a cup of stillness. And she called it Liquid Velvet. A Liquid Velvet moment. And I understood.

It is Columbine who watches that beautiful comedy of the newly married, who steal about their house hand-in-hand, fearful of waking the very new servants, fearful of creaking the boards as they gaze enraptured on the very new furniture, looking with joy on the very new pots and pans in the kitchen, turning the electric lights up and down all over the place to see the effect in their new bedroom. And he has a dreadful brooch for her hidden where he keeps his razors; and she has knitted him a tie he will have to wear. But it is all perfectly beautiful.

Someone wrote the other day that people who read are more interested, nowadays, in business than in love, and I'm so sorry for that man. He is more blind than I thought anybody could be. Business may be the means to an end, but Love is the beginning and the end. And it is just at this season that Love makes business: hence the shops full of gifts. Imagine a poet writing:

"Cent. per cent. the moon is rising,  
Watch the stocks upon the bank;  
Rubber shares are too surprising,  
Speculators are surmising  
Who the deuce they have to thank!"

No one can get a heartbeat out of that, and whatever your business man says, he knows he gets all the good in his life out of heartbeats.

So this Christmas Spirit creeps about the world, mocked at, scorned, but alive yet. And you who feel these things may one night see this quaint quartet at work, perhaps for a second at the corner of your street, perhaps just vanishing down the drive, or moving swiftly down a country lane. And you may say wonderingly: "It is a cobweb, a moth, and the branch of a tree, and the starlight makes them look like—like something I remember."

But I tell you who they are—Harlequin, Columbine, Clown and Pantaloon. And if you hear a child's laugh ring out suddenly, and it brings a new, quick emotion, one of them has conquered you!

The spirit of Christmas doesn't cling to presents in proportion to their cost—unless you are very rich; and if you are very rich the voice of the jeweler and of the furrier and of the motor car maker will seem to you as wise as the word of a happy poor man, though he were a philosopher.

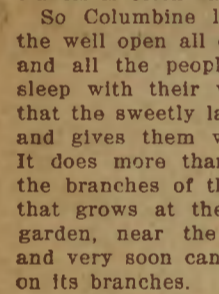
Simple and genuine and glad—strike these notes and the chimes will be very melodiously for you and for those whom you try to make happy. And remember, you can't feign Christmas without being caught as an impostor, both by your own conscience and by the feelings of those about you. The very value of Christmas is that it puts the genuineness of everybody to an unerring test.



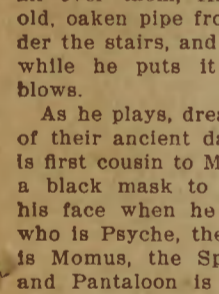
Harlequin.



Pierrette.



Pantaloon.



Pierrot.



Clown.

## NEWS OF ILLINOIS

ITEMS OF GENERAL STATE INTEREST FRESH FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

### BANK ROBBERS VISIT PERRY

Building Is Wrecked by Explosion Which Blows Safe to Pieces—Make Escape in Buggy With About \$1,500.

Mount Sterling.—The safe in the bank at Perry was blown to pieces and the building wrecked by robbers. The explosion was heard by Charles Connor, who started to give the alarm and was shot at three times by the robbers. They escaped in a buggy. Perry is an inland town. About \$1,500 was taken from the safe.

Duquoin.—Fire here destroyed the boiler shops, engine-house, machinery and a part of the tipples at the Brilliant Coal company mine, entailing a loss of \$5,000. A second fire broke out in the Howell-Maclean building, in the main part of the business section. The loss was at least \$2,000. Theodore Dunn, the owner, the Busy Bee restaurant, the Howell-Maclean saloon and the Howell-Maclean rooming-house being those which suffered.

Freeport.—A rear-end collision between an east-bound passenger train and a freight train on the Illinois Central railroad at Eleroy, near here, delayed traffic on the line for several hours. No one was injured in the accident. Two empty stock cars were derailed and the locomotive of the passenger train was damaged.

Carmi.—Thomas W. Hay has completed a preliminary survey of the Little Wabash river from Carmi to New Haven, fifteen miles south, and an effort will be made to have congress appropriate money to deepen the channel. In some places it was found that the water was deep enough to admit river traffic, and, with government aid, it is claimed that the stream can be made navigable for many miles, thus affording an outlet to the Wabash and Ohio rivers.

Staunton.—Fred Federa, thirty-one, a miner, was buried for fifteen minutes in fallen coal and debris. It was necessary for fellow workmen to release him with picks. A special interurban car rushed him to the Granite City hospital. He may not recover.

Moline.—When the motor on an ambulance failed as he was going to the aid of an injured man, George Daebellehn pressed into service a mule cart. The mules had gone but a few blocks when they balked. Daebellehn carried the patient to the hospital on his shoulder.

Decatur.—He may take the place of open ditches in the Steven's creek special drainage district, which embraces 10,000 acres of land in Mason county. The district is about twenty years old.

East St. Louis.—Henry Gallen, a negro, more than one hundred years old, completed a walking trip of more than two thousand miles. Gallen walked by a circuitous route to New Orleans and back again since August 25.

Deer Plain.—F. X. Arnold, who has between 250 and 300 hives of bees, stated that they produced more than 14,000 pounds of honey this season, and that but for the drought in the summer, just at the time that the white clover was in bloom, the crop would have reached 20,000 pounds.

Alton.—John McQuag, waiting at an interurban station in East Alton, with a bag of chickens, dozed off to sleep. He was aroused by a noise among the fowl and found that a raccoon had crawled into the sack.

Mokena.—A shock, due to stepping into ice-cold water of a small creek near Mokena, caused the death of John Christianson, aged fifty-five, a ditcher.

Wheatland.—Wheatland and DuPage townships are better churched than any other rural district in Illinois, perhaps the world, according to Miss Mabel Carney, secretary of the Illinois Federation of the Country Life Progress. A movement has begun in Wheatland township for consolidation of the country schools and for a system of hard roads, necessary for the successful working of such a system.

Mt. Carmel.—John Duster, fifty, a Big Four shop employe, was rolling axles down a pig pile. One of the axles tilted and a board which flew up struck him on the head, causing his death.

Danville.—John Balmbridge was arrested by federal authorities charged with violation of the Mann act in taking May Dunning, a seventeen-year-old girl, to Broadwell, Ky.

Alton.—Jacob Vernott, fifty-five, died from blood poison caused by handling weeds when his hands were sore from holding a glass blowing pipe.

St. Charles.—John Quinn, fifty-five years old, fell from a barn and received injuries which resulted in his death.

## NEWS BREVITIES OF ILLINOIS

Kankakee.—Alleging that his wife had murdered their first born child, and that she had threatened to kill all of her male children, August Ohlenkamp, a prominent farmer, has filed a bill for divorce from Johanna Breese Ohlenkamp. The bill alleges that the wife had an aversion against male children and that their first born child was a boy. It is charged that shortly after its birth she drowned the babe. Since that time there have been thirteen children to the couple.

Murrayville.—Lester Summers, twenty-nine years old, died at Peoria from lockjaw, resulting from injuries received in a runaway.

La Salle.—A committee of supervisors is investigating a property to erect a county sanitarium.

Manlius.—Robbers got away with several hundred dollars worth of loot when they entered the Chicago & Northwestern depot, a hardware store and a grocery. Blood hounds gave up the trail at the railroad tracks.

Manteno.—While running to board an interurban car, John Stone, twenty-four, was struck by a Big Four train and suffered injuries from which he died a few hours later.

Olney.—A switch engine bumped into a car into which B. A. Brooks was loading lumber. The pile shifted and he was buried beneath it, but was rescued without serious injury.

Beardstown.—Estimates submitted to congress provide for \$150 to be used in improving the Illinois river.

Vermont.—Little Margaret Foster died of burns received two weeks ago.

Belleville.—After he had once been attacked by a steer and several ribs fractured, Michael Bossler diverted a second attack by pulling off a red cap and hurling it into the air.

Danville.—Dr. A. L. Fox died from injuries received when cranking his automobile.

Chicago.—LaVerne W. Noyes was re-elected president of the Illinois Society Sons of the American Revolution at the annual meeting and entertainment at the Auditorium hotel.

Bloomington.—Fifty farmers of Eldorado township in Saline county adopted resolutions and signed an agreement prohibiting hunting on their lands for five years.

Springfield.—Although he had prepared an address to be delivered at the conference of governors in Richmond, Va., this week and had purchased his railroad ticket, Governor Deneen was unable to leave Springfield.

Quincy.—The Adams county circuit court granted a decree of divorce to Mrs. Effie Harmon, fifteen years old. She is the mother of three children. She was married three years ago. Desertion was charged.

Springfield.—The state board of administration has awarded a contract to Fitzsimmons & Wheeler of this city to build the new woman's infirmary building at the Anna State hospital. The firm's bid was \$47,940.

Taylorville.—John Hall, twenty-three years old, was instantly killed in the Springfield coal company's mine here by a rock falling upon him. His father, William Hall, who worked with him, saw him killed.

Nashville.—Walter Seyler, thirty-five years old, who was run over by an Illinois Central train at Ashley, died at the Bridget Hughes hospital here. He leaves one sister and four brothers.

Bloomington.—By the explosion of a gasoline engine Frank B. Esgrove, thirty-eight years old, a farmer and stockman of Fairbury, was killed.

Quincy.—The Catholic priests of Quincy denounced the hanging of placards on vehicles and the throwing of rice and old shoes, following marriage ceremonies. The priests declared that it lowers the sacredness of the marriage vows.

Ramsey.—S. B. Rogers, who for the last eight years has not had a tooth in his head, is cutting his third set of teeth.

Versailles.—The annual Thanksgiving meeting of the Brown County teachers' association was addressed by Rabbi Leon Harrison of Temple Israel, St. Louis, on "The Gospel Harbor Work."

Quincy.—The board of education of this city has employed Miss Ruth Smith, a trained nurse of Chicago, as assistant truant officer at a salary of \$80 a month. Her chief duty will be bettering sanitary conditions of poor families and nursing their sick children.

Bloomington.—John Ingram, an iron worker of Mulberry Grove, who worked for a building contractor here, swallowed carbolic acid after eating supper, dying shortly afterwards. He leaves a family.

## COULDN'T BE WORSE.



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**KINGSTON NEWS**

FRED P. SMITH, CORRESPONDENT

Mrs. E. E. Bradford, Sr. was a Sycamore visitor Tuesday.

John Helsdon was a guest of relatives at Byron Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Landis and daughter, Eva, were Rockford callers Tuesday.

Mrs. H. G. Burgess and daughter, Gladys, were Belvidere callers Tuesday.

Mrs. W. F. Reich of Milwaukee has been visiting at the home of E. A. Lutter.

A. S. Gibbs of DeKalb was calling on Kingston friends last week Thursday.

Miss Neta Packard was a guest of Rockford friends a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stark were Chicago visitors last week Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. E. C. Burton and children and Miss Doris Sherman visited in Belvidere Wednesday.

Will Adamson of Melbourne, Iowa, visited at the home of J. P. Ort, the first of the week.

Mrs. Emma Tazewell of DeKalb has been a guest at the home of her son, Roy, for a few days.

Mrs. J. R. Patterson of Rockford was a guest at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ann Stuart, Tuesday.

Mrs. Richard Moore returned home Tuesday after spending the past two weeks with relatives near Fairdale.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry Willis and family, who have been visiting his mother, Mrs. McCollom, will make their home in Fairdale.

At the regular meeting of the Modern Woodmen last Friday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

V. C. Sylvester Witter; W. A. L. H. Branch; Banker, John F. Howe; clerk, F. P. Smith; escort, J. W. O'Brien; watchman, J. P. Millar; sentry, F. H. Wilson; trustee, S. J. Shrader; physician, Dr. Burton.

Next Sunday an important change will be made in the services of the Kingston Baptist church. The morning and evening services will be discontinued and the Sunday school hour will be changed from 10:00 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. A bright and attractive service is to be held from 2:30 to 3:30 p. m. The pastor, J. W. Bradbury, will preach from the theme, "A Triumphant Host." All are welcome. A prayer meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. M. J. Witter on Saturday at 7:45 p. m.

(OFFICIAL PUBLICATION)

Report of the condition of Kingston State Bank located at Kingston, State of Illinois, before the commencement of business on the 27th day of November, 1912, as made to the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Illinois pursuant to law.

RESOURCES

1. Loans: Loans on real estate... 27,247 12  
Loans on collateral security... 1,000 00  
Other loans and discounts... 49,137 29

2. Overdrafts... 871,341 41

3. Investments: State, county and municipal bonds... 5,200 00  
Other bonds and securities... 3,500 00

4. Miscellaneous Resources: Banking house... 3,000 00  
Furniture and fixtures... 2,000 00

5. Due from Banks: National... 1,610 89

6. Cash on hand: 2,002 00  
Gold... 20  
Silver coin... 69 90  
Minor coin... 23 94

7. Other Cash Resources: Checks and other cash items... 1,294 48  
Collections in transit... 1,000 00

Total Resources... \$771,341 41

LIABILITIES

1. Capital Stock Paid In... \$25,000 00

2. Surplus Fund... 1,250 00

3. Undivided Profits: Less current interest, expenses and taxes paid... 1,795 32

4. Deposits: Time certificates... 17,809 06  
Demand, subject to checks... 37,807 47  
Demand certificates... 6,518 74

6. Miscellaneous Liabilities: Bills Payable... 9,000

Total Liabilities... \$100,128 33

I, L. H. Branch, Cashier of the Kingston State Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. H. BRANCH, Cashier  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of December, 1912.

F. P. SMITH, Notary Public  
(Seal)

To the Rescue.

"I am at present devoting a good deal of time to the Bacon-Shakespeare controversy," said Old Ed. Howe, writing in his own magazine. "Think of the absurdity of it," he continues. We do. Our notion of nothing to get excited about is this Bakespeare controversy.

New Home on Brotzman's Farm

A few months ago the home on the John Brotzman farm, in Riley, was destroyed by fire. Since that he has had a magnificent residence erected by J. E. Heath. While the loss of the former home is greatly felt, he has built one very much superior to that destroyed. He is also having a new barn built with the cement work by John Ward. Will Weaver, his son-in-law, manages the farm. An electric lighting system is being installed, furnished with its own dynamo. Also a high pressure water system, to furnish water for all purposes on the premises. In these days of improvements, it is well that the tillers of the soil should avail themselves of everything that makes the life of the farmer pleasant and easier.—Marengo Republican.

Bureau Wants Soil Doctor

At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Bureau County Commercial Association, the question of forming a county organization for the purpose of employing an agricultural expert was discussed, and a committee was appointed to confer with the Bureau County Bankers' Association, and the Bureau County Farmers' Institute on the subject. It is found that these associations favor the plan, steps will be taken to bring about concerted action on the subject in the near future.

She Understood. "I suppose, of course," says the fluffy creature to the captain, "that the bow of the ship is so called because it keeps bowing all the time, but why do you call one side the starboard and the other the port?" "The star boarders stay on one side and the porters on the other," is the willing explanation from the officer.

INSURGENTS RETIRE CARLSON

Sycamore Woodmen Beat Veteran Camp Clerk  
True Republican:--The feeling over the increase of rates in the Modern Woodmen entered into the annual election of Sycamore camp, which was held on Monday evening, and the result was that the "insurgent" faction sympathizers won out, and M. F. Carlson, for many years the efficient clerk, was beaten by James Walker.

Uncle Pennywise Says. A politician is always ready to discuss questions, but he seldom has an answer for any of our troubles.

Fine. A good impulse is a good thing, but the disposition to act upon it is even finer.

His Self-Analysis. I have never seen a greater monster or miracle in the world than myself.—Montaigne.

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