

IRRIGATION AND INDIAN CORN

Themes that Will Be Discussed by Experts Before the Commercial Club.

GOOD WORK OF MR. "CORNMEAL" MURPHY

Has Made Corn Popular in Europe—Tendency of the Origin of This Food Product—Talk by Maxwell, well, the irrigationist.

This evening the Commercial club will hold one of its whilom popular monthly social meetings, which will take place around the board beginning at 8:30. Two distinguished men will be present to discuss matters of interest to the club and its members. One of them is George H. Maxwell, one of the foremost factors in the national association for the reclamation of the arid wastes of the west, through irrigation, who will speak on "The Great West." The other is Colonel Charles J. Murphy, who for fifteen years or more has been abroad in the prosecution of the work of the maize propaganda, endeavoring to teach the people of Europe the many advantages of Indian corn as a wholesome, cheap and sustaining food for the toiling poor of that country. He has also sought to impress upon the richer classes the usefulness of corn products in the preparation of many delicious dishes for the tables of wealth. This he has done by means of lectures, the encouragement of experiments in restaurants and cooking schools, the use of the public prints in exploiting the virtues of cornbread and kindred products, and by discussion of his favorite theme in the food journals of European countries. In most of the large cities of Europe he has at times interested local agents in the distribution and sale of corn products and corn foods, and has gained the world-wide popularity of "Cornmeal Murphy."

In a lecture delivered before the National Agricultural society at the International Congress of Millers, held in Paris, France, August, 1898, Colonel Murphy spoke of the origin of maize, or Indian corn, as follows:

Origin of Indian Corn.

"This wonderful product, which has conferred such substantial benefits on the world, strange to say, is of unknown origin—wrapped in mystery, or at least not definitely fixed. A learned author, after much thought and investigation, concluded with the expression: 'Like that of wheat and barley, its origin is lost in the twilight of antiquity.'"

"It was first cultivated in the United States by the English in the James River Virginia, in 1608, the seed of which was obtained from the Indians, who claimed to be the originators or first discoverers of the plant—receiving it direct from the hands of the Creator. Scherzer gives the following mythological history of it: 'A young man went out into the woods to fast, at that period of life when youth is exchanged for manhood. He built a lodge of boughs in a secluded place and painted his face a somber hue. By day he amused himself in walking about, looking at the various shrubs and wild plants, and at night lay down in his hollow, through which, being open, he could look up into the sky. He sought a gift from the Master of Life, and he hoped it would be something to benefit his race. On the third day he became too weak to leave the lodge, and as he lay gazing upwards he saw a spirit come down in the shape of a beautiful young man, dressed in green and having green plumes on his head, who told him to arise and wrestle with him, as this was the only way in which he could obtain his wishes. He did so, and found his strength renewed by the effort.'"

Wrestling Match.

"The visit and the trial of wrestling were repeated for four days, the youth feeling at each trial that, although his bodily strength declined, a moral and supernatural energy was infused into him. On the fourth day he achieved the final victory. On the third day his celestial visitor spoke to him: 'Tomorrow, I will be the seventh day of your fast, and the last time I shall wrestle with you. You will triumph over me and gain your wishes. As soon as you have thrown me down, strip off my clothes and bury me on the spot in this fresh earth. When you have done this leave me, but come occasionally to visit the place to keep the weeds from growing. Once or twice cover me with fresh earth.' He then departed, but returned the next day, and as he predicted, was thrown down. The young man punctually obeyed his instructions in every particular and soon had the pleasure of seeing the green plumes of his sky visitor shooting up from the ground. He carefully weeded the earth, and kept it fresh and soft, and in due time was gratified by beholding the matured plant, bending with its golden fruit and gracefully waving its green leaves and yellow tassels in the wind. He then invited his parents to the spot to behold the new plant. 'It is Mondamin,' replied his father; 'it is the Spirit's grain.' They immediately prepared a feast and invited their friends to partake of it, and thus originated Indian corn."

City Campaign Expenses.

Treasurer Charles E. Morgan of the republican city committee in the city clerk's statement of expenditures in the recent campaign, showing the contribution and expenditure of \$118,000. Among the contributors to the funds of the committee were the following individuals: W. J. Connell, \$25; G. W. ...

Advertisement for California Fig Syrup, featuring an illustration of a woman and a child, and text describing its benefits for the digestive system.

HONOR MEMORY OF THE DEAD

Funeral of Benjamin Gallagher Held at St. Peter's Church.

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MEETING OF WOMAN'S CLUB

Department of Social Science Discusses the Question of the Public Schools.

The department of social science of the Woman's club is devoting itself this year to the study of social institutions, with especial reference to local conditions, and having reached the topic of "Public Schools," it invited the teachers of the city to a conference which was held on Monday.

POPULAR ISSUE IS A FAILURE

Small Investors Shun Paying Bond Bargains Owing to Small Interest Attached Thereof.

As anticipated, the popular issue of bonds in denominations of \$50 has proved an unqualified failure. In accordance with advertisements, bids were opened at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon for the sale of \$25,000 in paying bonds authorized by the election of November, 1898. At the stroke of the clock Chief Clerk Peck of the treasurer's office broke the seal of the only envelope

A FEW FACTS

About the New Catarrh Cure.

The new Catarrh Cure is a new departure in so called catarrh cures, because it actually cures, and is not simply a temporary relief. The new Catarrh Cure is not a saline, ointment, powder or liquid, but a pleasant tasting tablet containing the best specific for catarrh in a concentrated, convenient form.

ARRAIGNMENT OF O'CONNOR

Pleads Not Guilty to the Charge of Attempting to Bribe Judge Scott.

John J. O'Connor, charged with bribery, was arraigned in police court yesterday, pleaded not guilty, and his case was set for hearing next Friday at 2 o'clock. He was released on his own recognizance.

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MAGIC CITY GOSSIP

Remember Saturday as a day of registration.

Republicans are being urged to vote the straight ticket on election day.

Grading contractors are busy in all parts of the city at the present time.

Mrs. David Garrett, who has been ill with the grip, is reported some better.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gomez, Twenty-eighth and B streets, report the birth of a daughter.

The Union Stock Yards company is making some repairs to the flooring of the L street viaduct.

James Buchanan, paying teller at the packers' union bank, announces the birth of a son.

Alexander and D. Burnett and Louis Ferguson have gone to Clark's lake for a week's shooting.

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St. Martin's auxiliary will meet Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Thomas Whitely, Twenty-fourth and D streets.

The United Labor party will hold a meeting at Koutsky's hall tonight. Five speakers have been engaged for the occasion.

A portion of the western mail which was thrown off here Sunday afternoon was found to pieces under the wheels of the flyer.

Rev. Dr. Spenger will lecture Thursday evening at First Methodist Episcopal church on "Great Battlefields of the World."

Michael Mahoney died at his home, Fifteenth and Y streets, yesterday. The deceased was 94 years of age. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at St. Mary's cemetery.

To secure the original with haze salve ask for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, well known as a certain cure for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. They are dangerous.

COMES QUICKLY. Don't Have to Wait for Weeks. An Omaha Illustration.

Waiting is discouraging. Prompt action pleases everybody. A burden on the back is a heavy weight. Hard to bear day after day. Harder still year after year. Lifting weight, removing the burden. Brings appreciating responses. Omaha people tell of it. Tell how it can be done. Tell of relief that's quick and sure. Here is a case of it.

Mrs. Haude Thompson, 808 Douglas street, says: "It is nearly twenty years since I first had trouble with my back and kidneys and in spite of all doctors and medicines could do I gradually grew worse. There are very few people in my neighborhood but what know how I suffered. Seeing Doan's Kidney Pills advertised I went to Kuhn & Co's drug store for a box. After using it I found the pain in my back had passed away. I cannot use words strong enough to express my opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills after what they did for me when everything else had failed. Doan's Kidney Pills are for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no other.

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