

WHERE TO BUILD.

Rocky Site No Longer Advised—Gravel Said to Be the Ideal Soil.

Another objection to rocky soil is that water will not soak through rock and so runs down it.

Again rock often contains springs. If a spring were opened during blasting it would mean either that the water would have to flow through the cellar or be deflected—a costly operation.

Clay is perhaps more to be avoided than rock, says the Circle. Clay collects water and spreads under pressure.

Also it is impervious to water. Thus an underground layer of clay will prevent the proper drainage of rain water and leave the soil foul and sodden.

Finally, it is extremely costly to excavate. Undesirable for building purposes also are made land, sand and silt.

Gravel is the ideal soil for building purposes. It is porous and drains perfectly. At the same time it is sufficiently stable to support foundations.

Depressions or levels between rocks are likely to retain water, even though the depression is slight and the elevations distant.

Those Useless Questions. "Billy, did you ever pick up a live trolley with your bare hands?"

"No, but I have picked up a live trolley with my bare hands."

"Did it give you a shock?" "Give me a shock, and I will be dead every time."—Chicago Tribune.

MOTHERS WHO HAVE DAUGHTERS

Find Help in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Winchester, Ind.—"Four doctors told me that they could never make me regular, and that I would eventually have dropsy."

"I would bleed, and suffer from bearing-down pains, cramps and chills, and I could not sleep nights. My mother wrote to Mrs. Pinkham for advice, and I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

"After taking one and one-half bottles of the Compound, I am all right again, and I recommend it to every suffering woman."—Mrs. MAY DEAL, Winchester, Ind.

Hundreds of such letters from girls and mothers expressing their gratitude for what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has accomplished for them have been received by The Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Company, Lynn, Mass.

Girls who are troubled with painful or irregular periods, headaches, dizziness, dragging-down sensations, fainting spells or indigestion, should take immediate action to ward off the serious consequences and be restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Thousands have been restored to health by its use.

If you would like special advice about your case write a confidential letter to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free, and always helpful.

LAND-IRRIGATED-LAND. Perennial water flows, productive soil, crop failures unknown.

45 to 50 Bushels of Wheat per Acre

Have been grown on Farm Lands in WESTERN CANADA

Much less would be satisfactory. The general average is about 20 bushels.

DAISY FLY KILLER

Thompson's Eye Water

WEAVED THE DOCTOR.

Did His Best in Keeping a Watch Upon the Patient.

The late Dr. Drummond, the habitant pool, once related an amusing anecdote indicative of the simplicity of the rural French Canadian.

He was summing in Megantic county, Quebec, when, early one evening, he was visited by a young farmer named Ovide Leblanc.

"Bon soir, docteur," said Ovide by way of greeting. "Ma brudder Moise, heem 'ver' sick. You come on d'house for see heem, doc?"

Drummond, always kind-hearted and obliging, complied with the request of Ovide and found the unfortunate Moise suffering from what he diagnosed as a fairly severe case of typhoid.

"Wishing to provide Moise with some medicine," said the doctor-poet. "I asked Ovide to accompany me back to the village. The prescription compounded, I proceeded to instruct Ovide. The dose was to be administered every three hours during the night, and, trying to be as brief, plain and explicit as possible, I said: 'Be sure and keep watch on Moise tonight and give him a teaspoonful of this at 9 o'clock, 12 o'clock and at 3 and 6 in the morning. Come and see me about 9 o'clock in the morning.'"

Ovide understood and departed. The following morning he again presented himself and Drummond asked: "How's Moise? Did you do as I told you?"

"Ma brudder Moise, I tink he some better dan las' night," replied Ovide. "I give hem dose medecine, but I don't have no watch in d'house, doc. I tak d'feetle clock—d'one what mak d'feetle deesturb for get up. I keep eet on hees chee' all night. Tink eet do heem good dat, jus' lak d'watch. Wat you tink, doc?"—Harpers Weekly.

SHORT METER SERMONS.

Tolerance. An immense amount of friction has been saved when we can learn to tolerate one another's idiosyncrasies.—Rev. C. E. Nash, Universalist, Los Angeles.

Impatience. Impatience not only strips off the covering, but lays bare the very quick in all its sensitiveness of nerve.—Rev. J. B. Remensnyder, Lutheran, New York City.

Man's Failure. Christ proclaimed the truth of the mosaic system. Man's failure to apprehend the truth has always interfered with man's progress.—Rev. C. Ross Baker, Baptist, Spokane.

Constructive Forces. There are certain great constructive forces operating in the lives of all men, and it is not always easy to understand what they are.—Rev. Luther B. Wilson, Methodist, Pawtucket, R. I.

Vitality's Substitutes. When we try to make organization, or social service, or theology, the substitute for vitality, rather than its expression, we ignominiously fail.—Rev. Lynn H. Hough, Episcopalian, Brooklyn.

The Great Tradition. Human life is itself the great tradition. It has been handed down through parenthood, and when parenthood is worthy the tradition is divine.—Rev. George A. Gordon, Congregationalist, Boston.

Foundation of Life. When you assist womanhood you assist the nation. She is the foundation of our lives, she is the intermediary between man and all divinity.—Rev. S. Parkes Cadman, Congregationalist, Brooklyn.

The Best in Life. No matter what life befall human life, the interpretation of what is best in life will ever be the family and what its personal relations lead us toward.—Rev. John L. Elliott, Ethical, New York City.

The Materialist. The materialist is looking upon the things that can be touched and weighed and handled and measured, the actual facts that are about him and around him.—Rev. E. L. Powell, Christian, Louisville.

Moral Influence. The measure of moral influence is precisely the quality of moral character. One clear lapse from goodness and that authority expires.—Rev. H. T. Hanson, Congregationalist, Westminster, England.

Success of Christianity. Infidelity and unbelief often clad in a new dress to escape suspicion, follow sullenly in the wake of the church, thus tacitly acknowledging its vigor and its triumph.—Rev. Charles F. Wood, Congregationalist, Providence.

The Conquering Cross. The cross of Jesus goes on conquering, and some day the hosts of Satan must bow before it and say, in the words of the leader of the Moors: "Gallecan, thou hast conquered!"—Rev. D. D. Greer, Presbyterian, San Antonio, Texas.

Good Will. If you are sure of the good will in your own heart, you will surely find it in God, in man, everywhere, and you will be able to see that the sun is shining, all nature is fair and friends are kind.—Rev. A. G. Singers, Presbyterian, Providence.

Neglecting the Church. To neglect the church in her various interests, in her complex and many-sided missions, and leave her unequipped, or without the men and women necessary to do the work which the Lord has given to her to do, is like a personal neglect of Christ Himself.—Rev. Arthur G. Jones, Presbyterian, San Antonio, Texas.

Girl with One Fault. The Soph—The only fault I find with my girl is that her name prohibits the college well.

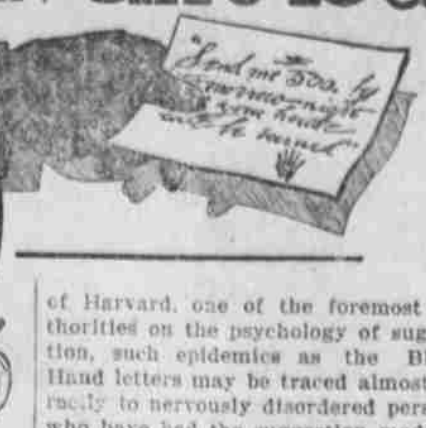
The Juniper—Hey? "It's Norah."—Kansas City Times.

The Suffragette's Way. He—And if women ever do get the voting franchise, what would you do? She—Oh, I guess I could find something else to talk about.—Yonkers Statesman.

THE FAKE BLACK HAND IN CHICAGO.



HOW INDIVIDUALS HAVE OVERWORKED A POPULAR METHOD OF GETTING REVENGE OR OBTAINING PUBLICITY.



THE fake Black Hand letter, the bane of the detective, the worry of the chief of police, the joy of the sensational reporter, the "subject" for the student in the psychology of suggestion and the nuisance to the general public, is one of the most remarkable developments in the criminal history of America during the last few years.

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which is so strong in criminal circles and among the uneducated, the fake "Black Hand" letters have taken strange twists and turns since the Nicoletti affair.

It is estimated, the Chicago later Ocean declared, that no less than \$15,000 have been collected from Italian citizens on the quiet by Black Hand letters since the Nicoletti affair. These cheap criminals know that most people have swallowed the Black Hand fake boldly without stopping to consider its truth or falsity.

There is no Black Hand society in America. There are certain members of the Mano Nera, the Sicilian Black Hand society, in Chicago—just sixteen of them, in fact—and they are well known to the detectives, but they have no organization. Nor have they been bold enough to try any of the cheap tactics attributable to the Black Hand since the first bona fide Black Hand case—the Spirio murder of 1903.

The Black Hand as it exists to-day in America is nothing more or less than a splendid example of the psychology of suggestion arising out of the Spirio murder and the subsequent publicity accorded to the Black Hand method of extorting money and gaining publicity. According to Dr. Roche

of Harvard, one of the foremost authorities on the psychology of suggestion, such epidemics as the Black Hand letters may be traced almost directly to nervously disordered persons who have had the suggestion made to them by seeing wild-eyed Black Hand stories, written by cub reporters, in the daily press. It has become almost a mania with the cub reporter to see Black Hand societies every time he finds a murder of a foreign-speaking citizen. There are thirty-five cases of record in Chicago of persons writing themselves Black Hand letters and appealing to the police for protection and asking to be sworn in as special policemen. In order to save themselves from their dread tormentors, the real purpose is, of course, to get to be a policeman in order to take out a grudge against a neighbor.

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Bellies of Different Nations.

Bellies of certain Amazonian tribes have cone-shaped skulls, which are obtained by wearing a mold on the head from babyhood until maturity.

The Arab woman paints her brows so as to give them the appearance of meeting above her nose.

The Tahiti girl, to acquire a flat, broad nose, sleeps with a compress on it.

The Turkish woman imparts a faint bluish tint to nails and teeth.

The ladies of Meccassar paint their teeth red and yellow alternately.

Not the Doctor's Fault. Dr. Fell at last explained why the poet did not like him.

"He knew well enough why he didn't," said the doctor, "and he could have told the reason if he had felt like it. It was because I had smudged him for a doctor bill. That was the only way I could collect it. By ginner, I made him pay it, too, with the interest!"

It is with no other purpose than to do justice to the memory of a man of malice and even at this late date, that the explanation herein set forth is given to the public.

SKIN WAS ROUGH AS BARK. Baby Boy Had an Intense Itching Humor—Scatched Till Blood Ran—Found a Cure in Cuticura.

"Our son, two years old, was afflicted with a rash. After he suffered with the trouble several weeks I took him to the doctor, but it got worse. The rash ran together and made large blisters. The little fellow didn't want to do anything but scratch and we had to wrap his hands up to keep him from tearing the flesh open till the blood would run. The skin on his back became hard and rough like the bark of a tree. He suffered intensely for about three months. But I found a remedy in Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment. The result was almost magical. That was more than two years ago, and there has not been the slightest symptom of it since he was cured. J. W. Lauck, Yukon, Okla., Aug. 28 and Sept. 17, 1908."

Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props. of Cuticura Remedies, Boston.

Out of It. "Mrs. Brown says that she'll never wear one of those 500-button gowns."

"Why not?" "Her husband has only one arm."—Detroit Free Press.

BETTER THAN SPANKING. Spanking does not cure children of bed-wetting. There is a constitutional cause for this trouble. Mrs. M. Summers, Box 4, Notre Dame, Ind., will send free to any mother her successful home treatment, with full instructions. Send no money, but write her to-day if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child, the chances are it can't help it. This treatment also cures adults and aged people troubled with urine difficulties by day or night.

Extensive beds of lobsters are to be planted soon in the waters of the British Columbia, and it is expected that in four or five years the lobster-taking industry will be established on a large scale.

Pettit's Eye Salve. No matter how badly the eyes may be diseased or injured, restores normal conditions. All druggists or Howard Bros., Buffalo, N. Y.

Why, Sure! Tommy—Paw, what is concentrated by?

Mr. Tucker—It's the short and ugly word, Tommy. Don't bother me.

A cold on the lungs doesn't usually amount to much, but it invariably precedes pneumonia and consumption. Hamlin's Wizard Oil applied to the chest at once will break up a cold in a night.

The Rush to the City. "Willie, how came you to leave the farm and move to town to make your living?"

"I got tired of the smell of dad's automobile."

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, etc. a bottle.

Had All the Symptoms. The learned hobo was dispensing knowledge for the benefit of his less enlightened companion.

"Have you ever been bitten by a dog?" "Many's de time," replied the unenlightened one.

"Are you not afraid of hydrophobia?" "Nix on de hydro."

"Tis a curious disease. When a person contracts hydrophobia, the very thought of water makes him sick."

Kidney Ailment

There is Hope

I want every person who suffers with any form of kidney ailment, no matter how many remedies they have tried, to know how many doctors they have consulted and how many times they have been told that they are incurable.

It reduces the swelling of the face and legs, also puffiness under the eyes, after taking a few doses of this remedy. You will be delighted to see the color returning to your cheeks and feel the thrill of vigor and good cheer. If your urine is thick or milky, if it is pale and foamy, if it contains sediments or breaks out, if it is highly colored or has an offensive smell, if you urinate frequently, you should persist in taking this remedy until all symptoms disappear. We believe this remedy has cured more serious kidney ailments than all the kidney pills that have been compounded. Professor Munyon believes that the terrible death rate from Bright's Disease and Diabetes is unnecessary and will be greatly reduced by this remedy.