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"Young Women:—I had frequent headaches of a severe nature, dark spots before my eyes, and at my menstrual periods I suffered untold agony. A member of the lodge advised me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, but I only scorned good advice and felt that my case was hopeless, but she kept at me until I bought a bottle and started taking it. I soon had the best reason in the world to change my opinion of the medicine, as each day my health improved, and finally I was entirely without pain at my menstrual periods. I am most grateful."—NETTIE BLACKMORE, 28 Central Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.—\$5.00 for 10 bottles if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

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When the drying machine is perfected we can all get up in the air, if we want to.

FOR RENT OR SALE

On Crop Payments. SEVERAL CHOICE FARMS, lands for list. J. MULHALL, St. Louis, Mo.

The February Atlantic offers a group of leading articles which can be neglected by no person earnestly concerned about the urgent issues in America today. These papers, in which subjects of the first importance are treated by the men best qualified to discuss them with authority and vigor, are: "Wall Street and the Country," by Charles A. Conant, a treatise on the uses and abuses of the money power, with which the number opens; followed by a sensible and dispassionate paper on "Lynchings: A Southern View," by Clarence H. Poe, and a thoughtful discussion of the question, "Is Commercialism in Disgrace?" by John Graham Brooks.

The ministry will never be a soft soap to the man with a sensitive soul.

Cheap Excursions to the South.

On February 16, March 1 and 15, the Kansas City Southern railway will offer to the public the extremely low rate of \$10.00 for the round trip to all points on the Port Arthur Route, including Beaumont, Port Arthur, Lake Charles, Shreveport, Texarkana, Fort Smith, Mena, De Queen and all intermediate points. The return limit on these tickets will be twenty-one days from date of sale, with stopover privileges at all points south of Kansas City on the going trip. Any information desired by the public relative to these cheap excursions will be cheerfully furnished upon application to S. G. Warner, G. P. and T. A., Kansas City, Mo.

No Cordelia, a long-headed man isn't necessarily narrow-minded.

Wiggle-Stick LAUNDRY BLUE Won't spill, break, freeze nor spot clothes. Costs 10 cents and equals 20 cents worth of any other kind. If your grocer does not keep it send 10c for sample to The Laundry Blue Co., 14 Michigan Street, Chicago.

Endurance is nobler than strength, and patience than beauty.—Ruskin.

No chromos or cheap premiums, but a better quality and one-third more of Defiance Starch for the same price of other starches.

A man may be short on love and still be long on constancy.

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

Some people imagine they lose caste by speaking civilly.

I do not believe Mac's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOWEN, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1903.

Time loosely spent will not again be won.—R. Greene.

Superior quality and extra quantity must win. This is why Defiance Starch is taking the place of all others.

Harper's Weekly says that Great Britain provides the world's largest market for motor cars. The great majority of these machines come from the continent, the importation figures for last year being 3,500 cars, valued at \$5,250,000; for the current year the figures have increased to 5,330 cars, amounting in value to \$8,000,000. It is said that most of the expense is a matter of wages, as the raw material of the machines is of little comparative value.

American Born Diplomat.

Count Frederick Hoyos, the young secretary of the Austrian embassy, who has lately arrived in the capital, comes from Vienna, where he has been residing for the last year. His last foreign post was Pekin, China. He is 26 years old and speaks English fluently, thanks to his English mother, who was Miss Whitehead, daughter of the invention of a torpedo factory in Hungary. Count Hoyos is the brother of the Princess Bismarck, one of the brightest young women of Europe and reputed author of "Elizabeth and Her German Garden." Count Hoyos was born in Washington and is the son of Count Hoyos, who was minister from Austria from 1875 to 1878.

A Physician's Advice.

Yorktown, Ark., March 7th.—Dodd's Kidney Pills must not be confounded with the ordinary patent medicine. They are a new discovery, a specific for all diseases of the kidneys and have been accepted by physicians only after careful tests in extreme cases. Dr. Leland Williamson, of this place heartily indorses Dodd's Kidney Pills "as a remedy for the various forms of the diseases of the kidneys, pains in the back, soreness in the region of the kidneys, foul-smelling urine and cloudy or thickened condition of the urine, discharges of pus or corruption. Gout, Rheumatism, Inflammation and Congestion of the Kidneys and all kindred complaints." Continuing he says:

"I could mention many cases in which I have prescribed Dodd's Kidney Pills with success. For instance, Mr. Robert Weeks, farmer, malaria, haematuria or swamp fever three times, kidneys weakened, continual pain and soreness in back, which made him very nervous, had a little fever and sometimes chills. Urine changeable, but generally very high-colored; an old chronic case who had taken much medicine with little effect. After taking Dodd's Kidney Pills about six weeks he was entirely cured and had gained fifteen pounds in weight. The last time I saw him he was the picture of perfect manhood."

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NEWS IN NEBRASKA

THE STATE AT LARGE.

Citizens of Beatrice will ask the Burlington road to give them a new depot.

The bridge over the Republican river at Superior was badly damaged by an ice gorge.

Claud Carpenter is in jail at Beatrice for thirty days for stealing a meerschaum pipe.

Some of the sheep feeders in Dodge county are shearing their sheep and sending them to market.

The ice and high water in the Platte river have taken out most of the bridges north of Kennesaw.

W. H. Platner of Omaha, a civil war veteran, dropped dead on the streets of that city a few days ago.

The county bridge across the Platte river, about three miles from Columbus, was washed out by the high water and ice.

The Lincoln Implement and Transfer company, \$40,000 capital stock, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state.

Cass county's mortgage record shows the amount of farm mortgages filed to be \$59,992; released, \$63,316. City mortgages filed amounted to \$2,100; released, \$7,992.

At a meeting of the board of supervisors held in Beatrice J. H. Sparks of St. Joseph was awarded the contract for building the bridges in Gage county for the coming year.

W. F. Cook of Cheyenne county, sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for obtaining money under false pretenses, has secured a reversal and will be given a new trial.

The home of John Donner, four miles northwest of Elgin, burned to the ground in the late wind storm. Nothing was saved. The family barely escaped with their lives.

George Casey, a farm hand employed by Frank Bartels, near Portal, Sarge county, attempted suicide by drinking six ounces of iodine. The doctors saved his life by pumping him out.

An ordination service was held in the Congregational church at Lincoln before a crowded house, in which Mrs. M. J. Dickinson, pastor of the Congregational church here, was ordained.

The woman's club at Fremont has forwarded to Prof. Lathrop of the University of Nebraska a number of interesting articles which will be included in the state exhibit at the St. Louis exposition.

A prairie fire north of Elwood destroyed H. O. Haller's house, barn, horses and all outbuildings; J. S. Tewell's barn, all outbuildings and 1,500 bushels of wheat; Mrs. Corder's house and buildings.

Fire destroyed about forty tons of hay on the farm of George Drake, a farmer living south of Red Cloud. Drake swore out a complaint against his brother-in-law, Jeff Beauchamp, for setting fire to the hay.

Articles of incorporation of the Dole Floral company have been filed in the office of the county clerk at Beatrice. The company is capitalized for \$25,000 and the principal place of doing business is at Beatrice.

The women of the local Relief corps at Schuyler have set a movement on foot to secure funds to erect a soldiers' monument. They have placed the amount they desire at \$750, and some have signified their willingness to contribute liberally.

Secretary Bennett of the state board of equalization is confident that the assessors of northeast Nebraska will not meet to agree on a basis of valuation. He declared that an agreement on values would disqualify the officials from holding their positions.

Little Vincent Sloggett, aged 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sloggett of Fremont, was killed by falling downstairs at his home. The boy's death was not the result of internal injuries, but followed the bursting of a blood vessel, which threw him into convulsions.

A scheme is on foot at Fremont to hold regular cattle and horse sales.

Two Grand Island dissolute women from the proscribed district and a man whose identity the police have not learned drove a horse to death. When the horse was turned into the barn its back showed the heavy welts of the whip and it could scarcely wobble to its stall, where it died in thirty minutes.

Forty feet of the Hamilton-Hall county bridge, owned and maintained jointly by the two counties, went out the other day, the result of an ice gorge, and more of it is out of line, or has the piling cut from under it. The bridge is about a mile long, the most serious damage being on the Hall county side.

By an order of the supreme court, based on a decision handed down at its last sitting, the Union Pacific Railroad company has just paid out \$48,000, of which sum \$35,000 was for the value of a lot which the company tried to secure from Mrs. Sarah N. Stanwood for \$15,104. The remainder of the amount was for interest and incidental expenses.

George Keeler, Thomas Gray, alias Thomas Rogers, and Samuel Bradley alias Sam T. Bullis, charged with robbing the bank at Lyons, were bound over in the sum of \$2,000 each. Keeler will be taken to Dodge and Gray and Bradley will be taken to the Douglas county jail for safe keeping.

Secretary Dobson of the state board of irrigation sent out notices to applicants for water and irrigation purposes to file their proofs at once, so that certificates could be sent them. In the state there are about 1,000 applicants who have made no proof of claims.

MORTENSEN COUNTS CASH.

Treasurer Finds State Running Behind in Spite of Heavy Receipts.

LINCOLN—The report of State Treasurer Mortensen, filed with the auditor, shows that in the general fund of the state there was received during the month \$182,578.50, which was occasioned by the working of the new revenue law, which brought in the personal taxes. The payments from the fund, however, were greatly in excess of this amount, \$219,967.85. The report shows that the state is still running behind at a rate that is interesting, if not alarming. However, the statement is not an indication of the financial condition of the state, for the reason that until the valuation of property is ascertained and the levy fixed, it will be impossible to tell just how the state is coming out at the end of the biennium. As soon as the state board of equalization does this, then it will be possible to tell just where the state is from a financial standpoint.

The report shows that the permanent school fund contains \$54,495.95 and the temporary school fund \$214,625. Cash on hand at the end of the month amounted to \$6,021.75 and cash on deposit \$374,212.45. During the month there was received a total of \$52,100.45, and paid out \$446,317.67.

NEBRASKA PIONEERS OF '54.

Early Settlers to Hold Meeting Next Summer.

HUMBOLDT—An interesting and important movement was started here when a half dozen of the pioneers of this place got together and planned to have some sort of a gathering the coming summer, to be arranged and participated in by those who settled in the wilderness of Nebraska a half century ago in 1854. The intention at present is to form an organization, to which shall be eligible for membership all residents of southeastern Nebraska who have lived in the state since the year mentioned above, and it is urged that all who are entitled to participate will communicate at an early date with H. P. Marble of this city, sending facts regarding their settlement in the state. Among the prime movers in the matter is Samuel B. Bobst of this city, who settled with his parents near the west line of the county on April 29, 1854, and is believed to be among the first settlers of the state. His father, Christian Bobst, was the first probate judge of Richardson county, when her borders extended from the Missouri river on the east to the Rocky mountains on the west.

Sentence Cut Down.

LINCOLN—Soney Ford of Cherry county, sentenced to imprisonment for seven years for the killing of Allen Rothchilds near Valentine, has received a reduction of sentence to three years and will serve four years in the penitentiary.

Title to the Island.

LINCOLN—McBride & Kilgore are entitled to the island in the Platte river upon which George S. Whittaker and family have been and are now living. So the supreme court has decided.

Will Reduce Commission.

LINCOLN—The supreme court commission will be reduced to three members after April 5, the commission of nine members meeting for the last time on that date.

Hogs Bring Good Prices.

LAWRENCE—The sale of forty bred Duroc-Jersey sows by Bowman & Fitch at this place averaged \$87.25. The top price was \$210, paid by Louden & Son of Clay Center, Neb.

Many Farmers Moving.

HUMBOLDT—There is quite an exodus of farmers from this section, owing to the arrival of the month of March. Those who are leaving the county invariably make for the western part of the state, where it is their belief they can be more successful in farming. While this county has been favored with good crops for several years, the high price of land and consequent high rate of rent made it difficult for the average renter to get ahead, and he is consequently going in search of a section where dirt is not so high.

Larkin Out of Jail.

ST. PAUL—Bert Larkin, who burglarized the postoffice at St. Liberty last July and was sent to the reform school, recently escaped, and, with a younger brother, was arrested here. After receiving his breakfast he was left alone in the corridor of the jail. With a heavy iron poker he worked a hole through the wall and made his escape.

Destroyed Much Property.

LOUP CITY—Hans Beck left home Saturday for Omaha with a carload of cattle and some time Saturday night or early Sunday morning some one visited Mr. Beck's farm house and with a spade broke every window except one, turned the hard coal stove over on the carpet with the fire burning, took five sacks of flour and threw it all over the house, cut up a good top on the buggy and smashed things in general. The guilty parties are unknown, but one or two in the neighborhood are suspected.

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If so, use Best Cross Ball Blue. It will make them white as snow. 5c on package 5 cents.

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When we introduced this remarkable grass three years ago, little did we dream it would be the most talked-of grass in America, the biggest, quickest, hay producer on earth; but this has come to pass.

Ag. Editors wrote about it, Agr. College Professors lectured about it, Agr. Institutions Orators talked about it, while in the farm home by the quiet roadside, in the corner grocery, in the village postoffice, at the creamery, at the depot; in fact wherever farmers gathered, Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass, that wonderful grass, good for 5 to 14 tons per acre, and lots of pasture besides, is always a theme worthy of the farmer's voice.

Then comes Bromus Inermis, than which there is no better grass or better permanent hay producer on earth. Grow wherever soil is found. Then the farmer talks about Salzer's Teosinte, which will produce 100 stocks from one kernel of seed, 11 ft. high, in 100 days, rich in nutrition and greedily eaten by cattle, hogs, etc., and is good for 80 tons of green food per acre.

Victoria Rape, which can be grown at 25c a ton, and Speltz at 20c a bu., both great food for cattle, also come in for their share in the discussion.

Just send 10c for our big catalog and farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

A positively selfish woman has the most to say about the unkindness of the world at large.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children.

Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

How Jack London Works.

Jack London's new novel, "The Sea-Wolf," which began with the new year in the Century, intensifies interest in this remarkable young writer. Mr. London is authority for the statement that he does his work the first thing in the morning, right after breakfast, averaging a thousand words a day, five days in the week. When pushed, he has written over a thousand words daily for many weeks at a stretch; and has occasionally accomplished two thousand words every day for two weeks. He writes slowly, making few changes in his first draft. At the end of each day he typewrites what he has written, and this is the completed manuscript.

Lived 113 Years.

From Castlebar, County Mayo, there comes a story of the death of James Conway, a farmer, who attained the age of 113 years. The father of James Conway did not die so young, for his years were six score and six—that is, 126. The grandfather's final age was 150 years. These statistics are the less unlikely because in the same county an old man died not long ago who was proved to have attained the age of at least 120 years. James Conway remembered the French invasion in 1798, which was led by General Humbert, who won the battle known as "The Races of Castlebar."

He Abolishes "Presenting Arms."

The French minister of war, General Andre, is one of the best abused men in France because of his recently announced purpose to promote equality in the ranks of the army. To further this object he has recently abolished the custom of "presenting arms" as a mark of respect. He is accused of fostering socialism in the French ranks and of deliberately following out a policy of religious and political persecution. He condemned to two years hard service in the ranks sixty Polytechnic students who rebelled against the severity of an examination. General Andre is a great favorite with the common soldiers. He began life in the army as a lieutenant in the imperial guard.

ON A RANCH.

Woman Found the Food That Fitted Her.

A newspaper woman went out to a Colorado ranch to rest and recuperate and her experience with the food probably is worth recounting.

"The woman at the ranch was pre-eminently the worst housekeeper I have ever known—poor soul, and poor me!

"I simply had to have food good and plenty of it, for I had broken down from overwork and was so weak I could not sit up over one hour at a time. I knew I could not get well unless I secured food I could easily digest and that would supply the greatest amount of nourishment.

"One day I obtained permission to go through the pantry and see what I could find. Among other things I came across a package of Grape-Nuts which I had heard of but never tried. I read the description on the package and became deeply interested, so then and there I got a saucer and some cream and tried the famous food.

"It tasted delicious to me and seemed to freshen and strengthen me greatly so I stipulated that Grape-Nuts and cream be provided each day instead of other food, and I literally lived on Grape-Nuts and cream for two or three months.

"If you could have seen how fast I got well it would have pleased and surprised you. I am now perfectly well and strong again and know exactly how I got well and that was on Grape-Nuts that furnished me a powerful food I could digest and make use of.

"It seems to me no brain worker can afford to overlook Grape-Nuts after my experience." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Get the miniature book, "The Road to Wellville" in each pkg.

WESTERN CANADA'S RESOURCES.

Farming Very Successful.

By Western or Northwest Canada is usually meant the great agricultural country west of Ontario, and north of Minnesota, North Dakota, and Montana. Part of it is agricultural prairie, treeless in places, park like in others, part is genuine plains, well adapted to cattle ranches; part requires irrigation for successful tillage, most of it does not. The political divisions of this region are the Province of Manitoba and the territorial district of Assiniboia, Saskatchewan, Alberta and Athabaska. At present, however, the latter is too remote for immediate practical purposes.

The general character of the soil of Western Canada is a rich, black, clay loam with a clay subsoil. Such a soil is particularly rich in food for the wheat plant. The subsoil is a clay, which retains the winter frost until it is thawed out by the warm rays of the sun and drawn upward to stimulate the growth of the young wheat, so that even in dry seasons wheat is a good crop. The clay soil also retains the heat of the sun later in the summer and assists in the early ripening of the grain. It is claimed that cultivation has the effect of increasing the temperature of the soil several degrees, as well as the air above it.

Western Canada climate is good—cold in winter, hot in summer, but with cool nights. Violent storms of any kind are rare. The rainfall is not heavy. It varies with places, but averages about 17 inches. It falls usually at the time the growing crops need it.

The Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Canada, has agents established at different points throughout the United States who will be pleased to forward an Atlas of Western Canada and give such other information as to railway rate, etc., as may be required.

That agriculture in Western Canada pays is shown by the number of testimonials given by farmers. The following is an extract made from a letter from a farmer near Moose Jaw:

"At the present time I own sixteen hundred acres of land, fifty horses and a large pasture fenced containing a thousand acres. These horses run out all winter and come in in the spring quite fat. A man with money judiciously expended will make a competence very shortly. I consider in the last six years the increase in the value of my land has netted me forty thousand dollars."

The girl who has a real social position usually is the most unassuming.

Lewis' "Single Binder" straight 5c cigar. No other brand of cigars is so popular with the smoker. He has learned to rely upon its uniform high quality. Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill.

Candor is ever the brightest gem of true criticism.—Disraeli.

POTNAM FADELESS DYES do not stain the hands or spot the kettle, except green and purple.

Considering a duty is often explaining it away.—Robertson.

Millions in Oats.

Salzer's New National Oats yielded in 1903 in Mich., 240 bu., in Mo., 265 bu., in N. D., 310 bu., and in 30 other states from 150 to 300 bu. per acre. Now this Oat if generally grown in 1904, will add millions of bushels to the yield, and millions of dollars to the farmer's purse. Try it for 1904. Largest Seed Potato and Alfalfa Clover growers in America.

Salzer's Speltz, Beardless Barley, Home Builder Corn, Macaroni Wheat, Peg Oat, Billion Dollar Grass and Earliest Canes are money makers for you, Mr. Farmer.

JUST SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10c in stamps to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive in return their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

Out of suffering have emerged the strongest souls.—E. H. Clapin.

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Love is a great source of economy in a household.—Halvey.



A striking contrast between Defiance Starch and any other brand will be found by comparison. Defiance Starch stiffens, whitens, beautifies without rotting. It gives clothes back their newness. It is absolutely pure. It will not injure the most delicate fabrics. For fine things and all things use the best there is. Defiance Starch 10 cents for 16 ounces. Other brands 10 cents for 12 ounces. A striking contrast.

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