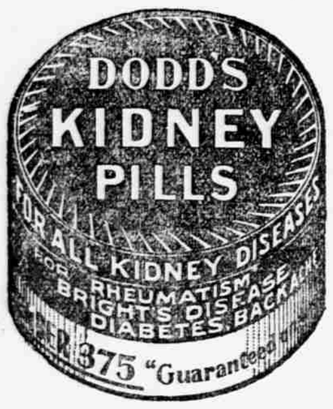
How She Prepared.

A French gentleman anxious to find a wife for a nephew went to a matrimonial agent, who handed him his list of lady clients. Running through this he came to his wife's name, entered as desirous of obtaining a husband between the ages of 28 and 35—a blonde preferred.

Forgetting his nephew, he hurried home to announce the discovery to his wife. The lady was not at all disturbed. "Oh, yes," she said, "that is my name. I put it down when you were so ill in the winter and the doctors said we must prepare for the worst."



Brazilian railroads in operation at the beginning of last year had a total length of 10,776 miles. In addition there were 1,982 miles under construction and 4,177 miles being surveyed or already approved, making the total mileage about 16,855 miles.

Excursion to Milwaukee.

Reduced rates of fare and one-half for the round trip are offered to merchants in the West and Northwest by the Milwaukee Association of Jobbers and Manufacturers. The dates of sale at all stations distant 100 miles or more from Milwaukee are August 29th to September 6th inclusive, tickets good returning until September 16. To obtain these rates merchants must get from their local agent receipt for one full paid fare to Milwaukee which, when countersigned by any Milwaukee jobber or manufacturer and by the secretary of the Milwaukee Association of Jobbers and Manufacturers will entitle holder to return ticket for one-half fare. Bring your family with you. Office of the Milwaukee Association of Jobbers and Manufacturers, 45-49 University Building, corner Mason and Broadway.

A Rabbit and a Whistle.

Did you know that a short, sharp whistle from the mouth would stop a rabbit? It surely does. Next time you see little Molly Cottontail leap from her burrow and make off don't shoot; just whistle. Whether from fear or curiosity I cannot tell, but she will stop still in her tracks. An antelope has been known to do likewise. An African hunter once said that the elephant is the most timid of all animals and can be frightened into a cold sweat by a mysterious noise.—New York Press.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

A Delicious Custard.

The recipe for this delicate dessert has been handed down in my family for many generations: Into each individual custard cup put the yolk of one egg, add one heaping teaspoonful of sugar, two gratings of nutmeg and five tablespoonfuls of sweet milk. Incorporate thoroughly and set the cups in a pan of hot water. Bake in a moderate oven until firm. When cool, cover with a meringue, using the whites of the eggs for this purpose, and allow one tablespoonful of powdered sugar to the white of each egg. Through the very tiptop of each snowy mound drop a teaspoonful of orange marmalade.—Delineator.

The Wise Men.

"After all, it's the wise man who can change his opinion."

"But the wisest men simply can't do it."

"Why not?"

"Because they've been dead for years."—Catholic Standard and Times.

The General Demand

of the Well-Informed of the World has always been for a simple, pleasant and efficient liquid laxative remedy of known value; a laxative which physicians could sanction for family use because its component parts are known to them to be wholesome and truly beneficial in effect, acceptable to the system and gentle, yet prompt, in action.

In supplying that demand with its excellent combination of Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, the California Fig Syrup Co. proceeds along ethical lines and relies on the merits of the laxative for its remarkable success.

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SHERMAN IS NOTIFIED; UTICA HAS GALA DAY

Republican Choice for Vice President Told of Nomination by Senator Burrows.

ENDORSES TAFT PRINCIPLES.

"Shall the Administration of Roosevelt Be Approved?" Declared Big Issue by Nominee.

Utica, N. Y., correspondence:

With one of the briefest speeches ever delivered by a candidate for so high an office, James Schoolcraft Sherman Tuesday accepted the nomination of the Republican party for the Vice Presidency. He spoke from a flag-covered stand erected in front of his home, and was surrounded by party leaders from different sections of the country,

JAMES S. SHERMAN.

and by an enthusiastic, non-partisan crowd of friends and fellow townsmen.

The nomination was tendered by a committee appointed at the Chicago convention in June, Senator Julius C. Burrows of Michigan being the chairman and spokesman. There were brief addresses also by Secretary of State Root, President M. W. Stryker of Hamilton College, from which Mr. Sherman was graduated; Mayor Thomas Wheeler of Utica, and Charles S. Symonds, chairman of the local reception committee.

Mr. Sherman followed the example of Mr. Taft in pledging allegiance to the policies of President Roosevelt. He declared there was no issue as to whether or not "the people shall rule."

Casts Aside Bryan Slogan.

"Surely the people shall rule," said Mr. Sherman; "surely the people have ruled, surely the people do rule."

Casting aside the campaign slogan raised by Mr. Bryan, the vice presidential nominee asserted that the "overshadowing issue of the campaign really is: 'Shall the administration of President Roosevelt be approved?'"

Mr. Sherman made no attempt to discuss in detail any of the issues raised in the party platforms, contenting himself with the declaration that he subscribed fully and heartily to all that had been written into the Chicago statement of principles and to all that had been said by Mr. Taft in his speech accepting the nomination.

Nature Smiles on Scene.

The day was clear and delightfully cool, and the local committee on arrangements was prepared to carry out in full the long outdoor program which the heavy rains the previous day threatened to curtail. Incoming trains in the morning brought throngs of visitors from the middle and western sections of the State, while the trolley cars from points as far west as Syracuse were crowded. Among the distinguished arrivals were Secretary Root, whose home is ten miles from Utica; National Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock, who came from Chicago, accompanied by several members of his staff, and State Chairman Timothy L. Woodruff.

Cigarettes of a Year.

From the preliminary report of the commissioner of internal revenue it appears that there were smoked in this country last year cigarettes to the number of 55,402,336,113, not counting the little cigars. From the same report it is apparent that the consumption of spirituous liquors is on the decrease. On the other hand, the consumption of beer is increasing. During the fiscal year $131,789,242 was paid to the government on spirits, as compared with $147,550,281 the previous year. The decrease in liquors distilled was over 13,000,000 gallons. In the same time 58,747,680 barrels of beer were made, a gain of 201,000 barrels. Tobacco yielded a total revenue of $49,862,754, or a loss of nearly $2,000,000.

Highest Tower Good Advertising.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company's new tower over the Madison Square building at New York, which is to be, when completed, the highest structure in the world, has received 8,746 newspaper clippings already containing some reference to the tower, and Frank A. Burrelle, the clipping expert, estimates that these clippings would make a total of 104,952 inches, or 1,469,328 agate lines. To buy this amount of notice for the company at advertising rates would have cost $440,768

FARM AND GARDEN

The idle hoe tells the story of a weedy garden.

Be slow about making promises; then you won't have so many to break.

Transplanted lettuce grows larger than that which remains where it was sown.

An exclusive diet of corn will prevent hens from laying; so will an exclusive diet of anything else.

The odors in the dairy barn can nearly all be absorbed by plenty of dry earth or land plaster.

Trying to run a farm without manure is like trying to run an automobile without gasoline.

Whether it is sunshine or rain, the good dairy cow is always busy turning a profit for her owner.

Milk twice a day and milk at regular times if you would obtain the best results from your herd.

Putting the best foot forward means putting up a bluff. The only successful men are those who get there with both feet.

Chickens in the orchard pick up thousands of insects, worms, etc., which would prove injurious to the trees and fruit.

The furnishing of fancy farm-made cheese affords an opportunity of making great profits from the dairy if properly conducted.

Starved land cannot grow good crops. Provide the elements which the crop needs and harvest day will be a day of rejoicing.

Alfalfa takes a tremendous amount of moisture out of the soil and is not as good for an orchard as some other less voracious plants.

A good breed sow must have large capacity for feed, because it requires a great deal of feed to keep her milk-producing machinery going.

Truck crops suffer least from fungi in seasons that open with a cool spring and end with a very hot summer, with rainfall below the average.

Scab, foot rot and liver trouble and catarrh are all induced by lack of thrift. Lack of thrift is induced by lack of care and lack of feed.

The man who has no bad habits, never makes mistakes and never fails to say so is too good for the company of ordinary mortals and should be let alone.

If you are raising ducks without a swimming place for them, be sure to have the drinking pans deep enough so they can get their heads entirely under water.

The feeding of dairy cattle affords the dairyman an opportunity to save all of the manure made by feeding out his crops and return it to his fields for future use.

Open sheds facing the south furnish the best roosting quarters for turkeys. You cannot raise turkeys successfully in confinement. They must have a wide range of field.

The building of a silo enables the dairyman to save all of the valuable food elements contained in his corn crop and get the most profit out of feeding it on his own farm.

A few days of pasturing on the stubble fields after the grain is cut and out of the way will provide considerable good feed for the stock and will be a good thing for the field.

To make the most out of sheep they must be kept for a series of years. Some years they will return a much better profit than in others, but it is hard to sell out and buy at the right time.

Artichokes are in some little demand in city markets during early spring for pickling. They must be fairly smooth, uniform and large, and washed very clean. A few produce dealers handle them.

Sixty-six Percheron horses recently sold at Sioux City, Iowa, for an average of $466.50 each. One stallion brought $1,210. Be sure, however, that these horses were thoroughbreds and not scrubs.

Don't haul your hogs in tight box wagons. The loss of one hog by overheating will more than pay for a panel rack for the wagon. Money is well invested that provides greater comfort for the stock.

A neat sign bearing the name of the farm placed near the road so that it can be read by passersby gives character to your place. People think as they pass that the place that has an individual name must amount to something. In picking a name let some characteristic of the place receive recognition.

A fruit grower in the Hood River valley, Oregon, recently sold forty boxes of winter banana apples at $12 a box. Last year this crop amounted to 105,000 boxes and brought an average of $2 per box.

A large majority of gardeners and farmers never properly estimate the advantage of thinning their crops. If strictly adhered to the yield would be greatly increased and the quality greatly improved.

A Texas banker has proved to his own satisfaction that alfalfa is a good hog feed. With an investment of $36 for three sows and six shoats he says he made $1,500 in three years at hog raising and the only feed the hogs received was alfalfa pasture and a little waste kaffir corn around the feed lots.

Sheep as Beasts of Burden.

In the northern part of India sheep are put to a use unthought of in European or American countries. They are made to serve as beasts of burden, because they are more sure-footed than larger beasts, and the mountain paths along the foothills of the Himalayas are steep and difficult. The load for each sheep is from 16 to 20 pounds. The sheep are driven from village to village, with the wool still growing, and in each town the farmer shears as much wool as he can sell there and loads the sheep with the grain which he receives in exchange. After his flock has been sheared he turns it homeward, each sheep having on its back a small bag containing the purchased grain.

Wasted Products.

At this time a tourist through Texas sees one peach orchard after another overloaded with fruit. It is not possible to either consume it or to sell it all fresh. In places the ground is already covered with peaches. Now, the only means of saving such precious surplus is to either dry the fruit or preserve it. The people of the South, largely because of the great abundance of it, have always suffered serious waste at this point. It is the same of the potato crop, peanut crop and other crops. Everything of value should be saved in some way. It should be preserved for future use or for a future demand of the market that may be overcrowded during the rush of the different products to the consumers. It should be the desire and the constant study of every Texan to save the waste here or there.—Dallas News.

Beware of the Big Egg.

It is common every now and then to read an account in some newspaper of one of the subscribers bringing in an extraordinary large egg into the office of the editor, and the aforesaid editor at once heralds the news as though it was of great public importance. Such eggs are important to the poultryman, inasmuch as they are danger signals. They tell of an unhealthy condition of the hen that laid them. No strong, healthy hen will lay either a double-yolked egg, a round egg, a badly shaped egg or a soft-shelled egg. Something is wrong with the hen that lays anything different than a regular shaped egg. Instead of rejoicing at these extra large eggs, there should be cause of regret. At once the matter should be investigated and the general condition of the flock should be looked into. If it is found that they all or the majority of them, are heavy, it is well to cut down the quantity of the carbonaceous or starchy foods and increase the nitrogen material.

Orange Culture in the North.

Botanists in the employ of the United States Department of Agriculture hope to bring into being an orange tree which will be as sturdy as the apple tree; an orange tree that will not perish in the chill of northern winter, which in December will bear its wreath of snow and in May its garlands of bloom, and when summer comes will yield fruit as good as that sweetened in the south sun.

This may seem to be an unnatural proposition, says the Technical World, but it only seems so. No violence upon the laws of nature has been or will be attempted. It is simply an effort to make the citrus tree which bears the sweet table orange as hardy and insensitive to cold as the citrus tree which bears the bitter, unedible orange. By crossing a citrus tree which grows in the north and which bears an unedible fruit with the citrus tree of the south it is sought to beget a plant in which will be combined the good traits of each.

Government botanists are confident that the results of this citrus marriage will be a scion that will grow and fruit at a latitude midway between the northern limits of the sweet and the bitter orange. If this should be, there might be orange groves in Central Virginia, Middle Kentucky, Southern Indiana, Southern Illinois, Central Missouri and Central Kansas. Think of orange groves around the homes in Richmond, Louisville, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Kansas City.

List of Microbes Grows.

The list of microbes continues to grow steadily. That of whooping cough must now be added to the list. Dr. H. Albrecht of the Wilhelm Hospital the other night spoke on the subject before the Vienna Medical Society, declaring that he had discovered the specific agent that caused the complaint. There had for some time been a suspicion that a kind of bacillus was at the bottom, but Dr. Albrecht felt himself able to assert that the whooping cough bacillus was identical with that of influenza. The doctor was able also to give a number of interesting details of his experiments and their results, which seem to be on parallel lines with work done by Drs. Bordet and Gengon of the Brussels Pasteur Institute.

Knew One of the Firm.

Attendant (showing him through the structure)—This house is built on what is known as the "slow combustion" plan.

Mr. Pneuritch—Ah, yes; I think I know Slocum. I have seen him at the club; but I have never had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Bustion.—Chicago Tribune.

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Uncle Allen.

"I've observed one thing about a footrace," said Uncle Allen Sparks. "If you've got any money up on the result it always turns out differently from what you think it's going to."

BORAX IN THE DAIRY.

A Matter of Profitable Interest to the Farmer and Dairyman.

The problem of keeping sweet all the utensils used in connection with milk and cream selling, and butter making, has been a serious one with the farmer.

He has come to realize fully that the slightest taint or hint of staleness left in a can, tin or churn may ruin a whole output; that the taint which is left is in the form of bacteria which grow and multiply in milk or butter, producing disastrous results.

The farmer has learned that hot water won't rinse away the greasy residue in dairy utensils.

He has learned that soap leaves a residue of its own which is, if anything, worse than the milk or cream residue, and it is little wonder that there has been a constant clamor for a dairy cleanser and sweetener that will meet modern requirements.

A few of the largest creamery establishments have called experts into consultation on this problem and have with this scientific aid hit upon a product of nature which exactly fills the bill—borax.

Scientists have long known borax as a cleanser, a sweetener and an antiseptic destroyer of bacteria and germ growths. Destroys all that is harmful and promotes and preserves freshness, sweetness and purity, relieving the dairyman and dairy housewife of drudgery and of needless work and worry.

Its cheapness and value should give it first place in the necessities of every dairy.

The cow's udder is kept in a clean, healthy and smooth condition by washing it with borax and water, a tablespoonful of borax to two quarts of water.

This prevents roughness and soreness or cracking teats, which make milking time a dread to the cow and a worry to the milker.

The modern cleanser of all dairy utensils consists of—one tablespoonful of borax to every quart of water needed. Remember—a tablespoonful equals four teaspoonfuls.

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