

The St. Tammany Farmer.

"The Blessings of Government, Like the Dew from Heaven, Should Descend Alike Upon the Rich and the Poor."

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Fun on the Farm.

"I've bought a farm about ten miles out of town," said the man with the black eye, as he entered a lawyer's office.

"Exactly; exactly. You've bought a farm, and you've discovered that one of the line fences takes in four or five feet of your land. You attempted to discuss the matter with the farmer and he resorted to arms."

"Yes."
"Well, don't worry. You can first sue him for assault; then for battery; then for personal damage. Then we'll take up the matter of the fence, and I'll promise you that even if we don't beat him we can keep the case in court for at least twenty-five years. Meanwhile, he'll probably hamstring your cows, poison your calves and set fire to your barn, and you can begin a new suit almost every week. My dear man, you've got what they call a pudding, and you can have fun from now on to the day you die of old age."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

While steaming along the coast of Mexico, recently, those who were on board of the ship Peru noticed that the vessel's progress was much slower than it should be. The chief engineer was informed, and he reported that the engines were making the customary revolutions. An investigation was made, and across the bow of the steamer a manta, a species of octopus, was found clinging. A sailor was lowered over the side, and he attached sharp hooks to the monster, and with the aid of the captain its hold was released. It suddenly started away, taking the hooks and line with it.

Mrs. Barron was one of the new "summer folk" and not acquainted with the vernacular. Consequently, she was somewhat surprised upon sending in an order for a roast of lamb to the nearest butcher, to receive the following note in reply: "Dear mam. I am sorry I have not killed myself this week, but I can get a good leg off my brother (the butcher at the farther end of town) He's full of what you want. I seen him last night with five legs. Yours respectful, George Gudson."—Youth's Companion.

Railroad officials held an important conference with Commissioner Sargent and discussed plans for turning the tide of immigration to the South.

Secretary Wilson has requested Congress to appropriate \$265,000 for immediate use in fighting the boll weevil.

BEST REMEDY FOR CONSTIPATION.

"The finest remedy for constipation I ever used is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says Mr. Eli Butler, of Frankville, N. Y. "They act gently and without any unpleasant effect, and leave the bowels in a perfectly natural condition. Sold by Jos. S. Clavelle, druggist.

How to Get Rid of Stumps

In the autumn bore a whole one or two inches in diameter, according to the girth of the stump, vertically in the center of the latter and about eighteen inches deep. Put into it one or two ounces of saltpeter; fill the hole with water and plug up close. In the ensuing spring take out the plug and pour in about one-half gallon of kerosene oil and ignite it. The stump will smoulder away to the very extremities of the roots, leaving nothing but ashes.—Scientific American.

COUGHING SPELL CAUSED DEATH.

"Harry Duckwell, aged 35 years, choked to death early yesterday morning at his home in the presence of his wife and child. He contracted a slight cold a few days ago and paid but little attention to it. Yesterday morning he was seized with a fit of coughing which continued for some time. His wife sent for a physician but before he could arrive, another coughing spell came on and Duckwell died from suffocation.—St. Louis Globe Democrat, Dec. 1, 1901." Ballard's Horehound Syrup would have saved him. 25c, 50c and \$1 at J. S. Clavelle, Covington, and Crescent Drug Co., Shidell, La.

We would like for everybody to remember that we cannot possibly mention in the columns of the Comet anything pertaining to raffles or lotteries, as it is illegal to state that there will be a raffle, to give the name of the winner or the number of the winning ticket. The fine for this is only \$500, so we do not care to become liable to the fine. Since an editor some years ago was fined \$500 for stating what number had won a pillow slip that had been raffled by a widow we have always declined to publish news about raffles. In one case, recently, however, we made an exception, but we have decided that it would be better to be on the safe side and adhere to our former rule. We have seen papers violate this law many times, but then it is rather risky, so please do not ask us to state the winning number or the winner's name for any raffles. We cannot and will not do it.—Lafayette Comet.

Have you got that poll tax receipt?

Representative Richardson, of Alabama, introduced a bill in the House authorizing the use of water from rivers in generating power for electric lighting plants.

WORST OF ALL EXPERIENCES.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years," she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters, and the result was miraculous. I improved at once, and now I am completely recovered. For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine." Only 50c. It's guaranteed by J. L. Watkins, City Drug Store, and Jos. S. Clavelle, Druggist.

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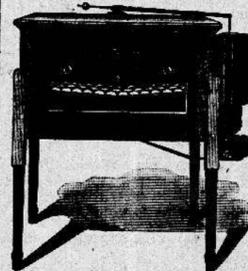
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