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Ah, quit your kidding, Jack Frost.

Maryland refuses to disfranchise its colored voters.

The impact on the coal bin from the mercury's fall was som-fin' erce.

To fond parents the best part of the foot ball season is in shortness.

Gee, someone forgot to get the Maine out of the mud before water came on.

Washington must quit playing new and get back to work—the president is at home.

Are they going to deny the chief witness, Mr. Lorimer, a hearing at his own inquest?

Maryland seems to be a democratic state only when there is really no business to attend to.

Those cross-country aviators can make the trip a little quicker than Pedestrian Weston, anyway.

"I will not ask for a second term," says President Madero. That was what Mr. Bryan said too soon.

The reigning dynasty may shelf Wu Ting-fang, but they cannot keep a good man down in a republic.

It must be just a coincidence that most of the known democratic bosses over the country are for Harmon.

Governor Aldrich might easily file a supplemental Thanksgiving proclamation, adding several more reasons.

Just about 550,000 automobiles are owned in the United States. We still have about 24,000 horses left.

"Do your Christmas shopping early." Those words seemed to strike painfully upon a man's ears with every gust of that fierce nor'wester.

The Boston Transcript evidently thought little of the Massachusetts state election, for it passed it up with only a two-column and a half editorial paragraph.

Had Governor Dix's first legislature been Republican he might today be a stronger man in New York, for it might have saved him from showing his Tammany hand.

For the first time the postoffice department shows a surplus at the end of a fiscal year—and it is nearly a quarter of a million at that. Shipping the magazines by freight has saved money and reduced the railway complaints about light traffic.

Forty-five hunters, most of them mistaken for game, have been slain this year. The fool and his gun are on the job all right this year.

Luther Burbank has turned out a thornless blackberry bush. Something of the kind is needed to fill the gap left by the Burbank wonderberry, which came two years ago and faded away soon after it was tried in the pie.

Italian visitors to the Garden of Allah, in Tripoli, are not enjoying the scenery and climate as much as anticipated. Besides, there are more natives in the locality than the census indicated and their crowding adds to discomfort of visitors.

Uncle Sam's celestial chum, former Ambassador Wu Ting-fang, is one of the head push of the revolution in China. Owing to the amount of business on hand Wu no longer indulges his habit of quizzing but is working head and hands. To save both he must win.

Those who think the tariff had something to do with the defeat of the Republican candidate for governor of Massachusetts are about a mile off. Louis A. Frothingham is a bachelor. A number of women's clubs declared the bachelor candidate was no good. That settled Louie.

Louis Zettner, fashion candidate for alderman in New York City, lost out, more's the pity. Just as he was beginning a stem winding campaign speech Saturday night he was handed a message from home "It's a girl."

The speaker dashed from the stage and hiked for the roost of the stork. Voters agreed that home was the place for Lou.

Turkey Raffles No More

Loser Mustn't Pay for Pool Game Nor Hostess Give Pickle Dish to the Bridge Whist Winner.

New-fangled law has caught the old fashioned turkey raffle and wrung its neck. There can be no turkey raffle during the holiday time this year, as Attorney General Cosson has clamped down the lid. His demands go beyond this. Peace and law-enforcing officers in the state have received warning that it is up to them to see that the loser in the game of billiards or pool is not compelled to pay for the game. Since many, many years your cue artists have enjoyed the satisfaction, if victors, of beholding the vanquished opponent walk up to the cigar case and settle; and if defeated to stifle the humiliation and pay with a smile while grinning friends chide and snifle and suggest incompetency. There is to be no more of "playing the rubber;" no more of continuing the play in order to get even, to overcome the "hoodoo," or to prove the "losing streak" a bit of bad luck. Each player pays for his half of the game, win or lose—or he is amenable to the law of Iowa. The player must pay for victory as well as defeat. The victor will not need play until the hall closes that the vanquished might get satisfaction; there will not be the same chance of the player missing his meal or forgetting his bed time.

But this is not all. To the discard also must go the gum and candy machines and the perforated card cigar game.

But the worst! There shall be no more bridge games where the lovely hand-painted pickle dish is the prize. The home of Mrs. Upper Ten and

Mrs. Medium Five as well as Mrs. Two Spot shall be invaded and the gay parties of gamblers broken up; the jackpot shall be confiscated and pounded into smithereens in the presence of the august judge and jury. "Isn't it just horrible for those awful police to break up that lovely little pickle dish; it was hand-painted every cent of it. I helped select it and it was the cutest thing; just too cunning for anything. I don't see why those horrid people don't mind their own business. What right have they to invade our homes?" Of course, I don't approve of gambling, that is playing for money; nor of those perforated cards where you stand a chance of winning cigars or gum or candy, or the raffling of turkeys, poor things and I think that when the men play pool or billiards they should each pay their share and not make the loser pay it all, but it just mortified me nearly to death to have those police to seize our cards and put that lovely hand-painted pickle dish into a hip pocket without even wrapping it up in the tissue paper, as if it was 10-cent store junk. What we want is the ballot and a woman judge and jury; maybe we'll have justice then and officers who appreciate nice things."

Oh, it's going to be a pleasant duty to enforce the law—and the peace or law-enforcing officer who does not sit in danger of being thrown out of office under Mr. Cosson's law.—Waterloo Times-Democrat.

HOW MUCH CORN TO THE ACRE.

What is the average number of bushels of corn grown to the acre in Iowa this year? What's the output per acre in the United States? It is too early to tell, as the crop is not gathered. But there are statistics of former years and they will not differ widely from those of this year. But the average this year will be, and in past years has been away below what the crop experts tell us is possible. The average is going higher all the time.

But this is not all of it. While there will be more corn grown on every acre planted in that grain the corn-growing area will be extended in actual acres. In this connection it is to be said that the national department of agriculture has been doing some notable work in the South where they have not been growing enough corn to fill their own wants. Many illustrations could be given. Here is one, not the best or the worst: On 70,000 acres in Georgia, which are being cultivated along the lines of the United States demonstration plan the increase in yield of corn has been little more than 1,500,000 bushels. On 80,000 acres of cotton in the experiment work along the same lines, the increase has amounted to 41,600 bales. This has been added to the production of the area under demonstration auspices. What is true of corn and cotton is equally so of other crops where the same attention has been paid to growth.

These results have been secured not once, but as often as intelligence and care have been applied; not in one county or in one state, but generally, these results have been as surprising as they have been gratifying.

NEBRASKA'S FARM OUTLET.

President Howard Elliott of the Northern Pacific Railway company recently called attention to the fact that the value of farm products in this country last year was nearly \$9,000,000,000, and that the farm's annual crop value had nearly doubled in the last eleven years.

That being the case, what should happen in the next decade? The farmer of this country has advantages and knowledge which he did not have eleven years ago by which he ought to fare more than double his output. He has at least a rudimentary knowledge of intensive farming and each year this knowledge should grow and he has the advantage of certain governmental aid, as reclamation and irrigation upon a larger scale and he has larger and better railroad facilities, therefore, more advantageous markets.

But aside from all this, and yet quite a part of it, or, at least, a consequence of it, he has access to an immensely greater area of land for cultivation than he had eleven years ago and each year this area will grow.

Fashions and Charity.

Chicago Record-Herald: If, after all, the modes continue to be outrageous, this outrageousness has its compensating side. It breeds tolerance among its victims. How rarely—nowadays—a woman indulges in audible disparagement of another woman's hat or gown. She suspects her own to be rather tasteless, senseless, foolish. She must bear with her sisters—they are all in the same boat. Woman has sometimes been spoken of as a consoling and "catty" toward those of her own sex, but the growth of charity among womankind these last few years has been remarkable. Let her who is without the silly gown or the crazy hat shy the first stone. Few stones are shined. Thanks to fashion's excesses, feminine forbearance and kindness bourgeois most boundedly, by the devious road of doubt dressing one may even make a reasonable ap-

proach to the millennium of complete charity.

IOWA PRESS COMMENT.

"Get out the vanilla extract bottle," advise the Burlington Gazette. "Maine is to remain dry."

"The machinists will now get busy on the political machines," says the Waterloo Times-Journal.

The Sac City Sun says it does not believe that Speaker Clark could beat President Taft on any kind of a platform.

The Des Moines Tribune is of the opinion that "the president always issues his Thanksgiving proclamation before the price of turkey for that day is definitely fixed."

"Local opinion," records the Atlantic Telegraph, "may have been somewhat divided on Gov. Shaw at one time, but now, it is quite unanimous that Shaw is a great man."

"President Taft," says the Charles City Intelligencer, "is entitled to credit for having brought the trusts to heel. Not even a La Follette or a Cummins could have done better in this respect."

"A large number of Iowa people would like to see Senator Kenyon on the supreme bench," finds the Webster City Freeman Tribune, "but a larger number would like to see him retain his seat in the senate for at least a full term."

O'Conner and Dunn," says the Council Bluffs Nemparell, "are to be Democratic aspirants for their party nomination for governor. If history repeats itself, however, the campaign will likely wind up with Claude Porter or Fred White on the head of the ticket."

The plan of the insurgents, believes the Creston Advertiser, is to do all they can secretly and openly to defeat Taft without at the same time destroying the party. "To split the party next year would make it impossible to get control of it later," says the Creston editor.

"The political differences between the progressives and the standpatters are irreconcilable," observes the Grinnell Herald. "Oil and water don't mix. We hold our conventions together at present because we are such slaves of habit, but we will get over that after a while."

"Champ Clark" declares the Ottumwa Review "is getting a pretty wide endorsement of his sentiment that Canada should become a part of this government. That's about the fact, too. He says nine-tenths of the people want the annexation. We agreed entirely with the speaker."

"Mr. Bryan's advice to the Republicans to nominate La Follette does not predispose us any further to do it, either," declares the Boone News-Republican. "We have no objection to Mr. Bryan's naming the Democratic leader, but believe that the Republicans can get along very nicely without any directions from the sage of Lincoln."

"In declaring himself in favor of a campaign in favor of Canadian annexation, Speaker Clark weakened himself materially in the eyes of the American people," avers the Charles City Press. "This country may desire annexation, but the people have too much sense to approach the subject in that way. Clark is rapidly putting himself out of presidential consideration."

BACK COVERED WITH MASS OF PIMPLES

Burned and Itched So He Could Hardly Stand It. Tried Medicines, Etc., Nearly 3 Years, in Eternal Misery. Started Using Cuticura Remedies. Now Has No Sign of Skin Disease.

"My troubles began along in the summer in the hottest weather and took the form of small eruptions and itching and a kind of smarting pain. It took me mostly all over my back and kept getting worse until finally my back was covered with a mass of pimples which would burn and itch at night so that I could hardly stand it. This condition kept getting worse and worse until my back was a solid mass of big sores which would break open and run. My underclothing would be a clot of blood.

"I tried various blood medicines and other remedies and saved for nearly three years and I was not getting any benefit. It seemed I was in eternal misery and could not sleep on my back or lean back on a chair. I was finally given a set of the Cuticura Remedies by my brother who recommended them to me very highly. I started using the Cuticura Remedies and inside of two weeks I could see and feel a great relief. I kept on using Cuticura Soap, Ointment and also the Resolvent, and in about three or four months' time my back was nearly cured and I felt like a new being. Now I am in good health and no sign of any skin disease and I am fully satisfied that Cuticura Remedies are the best ever made for skin diseases. I will always recommend them to anybody who will use according to directions. I would not be without them." (Signed) W. A. Armstrong, Corbin, Kan., May 28, 1911. For more than a generation Cuticura Soap and Ointment have afforded the most economical treatment for affections of the skin and scalp of infants, children and adults. Although sold by druggists and dealers throughout the world, a liberal sample of each, with 32-p. book on the skin, will be sent free, on application to Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Dept. 27A, Boston.

JUDGING PROGRAM.

For the International Live Stock Exposition December 2 to 9, 1911, to be held in Chicago.

COLLEGE DEPARTMENT.

Saturday, December 2d; 8 a. m. Student's judging contest. Judging horses, cattle, sheep and swine.

CATTLE DEPARTMENT.

Monday, December 4; 9 a. m. Pure bred and Grade Bullocks. College and experiment station stock.

Clay-Robinson specials. Note: Steers entered for slaughter must be placed in charge of committee Monday evening, December 4. The hour for slaughter and for awarding prizes on dressed carcasses will be designated by committee in charge.

Tuesday, December 5; 9 a. m. Aberdeen-Angus breeding classes. Red Polled breeding classes. Carloads fat cattle. "Short-Fed Special" carloads.

Wednesday, December 6; 9 a. m. Shorthorn breeding classes. Aberdeen-Angus breeding classes, concluded. 1:00 p. m.: Hereford breeding classes. Shorthorn breeding classes, concluded. 1 p. m.—Galloway breeding classes.

Friday, December 8; 9 a. m. Polled Durham breeding classes. Galloway breeding classes.

SHEEP DEPARTMENT.

Pure-bred, Grade and Cross-bred Wethers. College and experiment station stock.

Clay-Robinson specials. Note: Fat sheep entered for slaughter must be placed in charge of committee Monday evening, December 4. The hour for slaughter and for awarding prizes on dressed carcasses will be designated by committee in charge.

Tuesday, December 5, 9 a. m. Shropshire breeding classes. Dorset breeding classes. Carloads native and range sheep.

Wednesday, December 6, 9 a. m. Rambouillet breeding classes. Hampshire breeding classes.

Thursday, December 7; 9 a. m. Oxford-Down breeding classes. Cotswold breeding classes. Lincoln breeding classes.

Friday, December 8, 9 a. m. Southdown breeding classes. Cheviot breeding classes. Leicester breeding classes.

SWINE DEPARTMENT.

Monday, December 4, 9 a. m. Barrows, all classes. College and experiment station stock.

Clay-Robinson specials. Note: Swine entered for slaughter must be placed in charge of committee Monday evening, December 4. The hour for slaughter and for awarding prizes on dressed carcasses will be designated by committee in charge.

Tuesday, December 5; 9 a. m. Berkshire breeding classes. Tamworth breeding classes.

Wednesday, December 6, 9 a. m. Poland-China breeding classes. Hampshire breeding classes.

Thursday, December 7, 9 a. m. Duroc-Jersey breeding classes. Yorkshire breeding classes.

Friday, December 8, 9 a. m. Chester-White breeding classes.

HORSE DEPARTMENT.

Monday, December 4, 9 a. m. Belgians.

P. M.—Draft geldings to halter-singles. Tuesday, December 5; 9 a. m. Percherons. P. M.—Draft geldings in harness-pairs. Wednesday, December 6; 9 a. m. Clydesdales. P. M.—Draft geldings in harness-threes. Thursday, December 7; 9 a. m. Shires. P. M.—Draft geldings in harness-fours. Friday, December 8; 9 a. m. Suffolks. Hackneys. P. M.—French Coach horses. Saturday, December 9; 9 a. m. Ponies to halter.

ONE MILLION RED CROSS SEALS

Half That Number Have Already Been Placed for Sale in the State.

[From the Press Bureau, Board of Control of State Institutions, Department on Tuberculosis.]

DES MOINES, Nov. 16.—The department on tuberculosis has been made state agent by the national association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis for the sale of the Red Cross Christmas seals this year. State Lecturer A. E. Keppford is in charge of the sale and recently made an order for 1,000,000 seals. It is expected, however, that this number will be augmented before the holiday season is past for already more than 500,000 have been placed on sale throughout the state. Orders are daily arriving for seals from women's clubs, civic bodies and various other organizations throughout the state.

It is well understood that the department on tuberculosis will not realize one penny from this sale, but that each community conducting a sale will use its own money as it may see fit in the relief of tuberculosis. It may not be quite understood that only 12 1/2 per cent of the gross proceeds of the sale is to be returned to the department of tuberculosis, and from thence to be remitted to the national association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis, while 87 1/2 per cent is to be retained by the locality conducting the sale.

It will be seen, therefore, that this is a splendid method of educating the public for the seals are a most attractive sticker which can be placed on the reverse side of letters, on Christmas parcels and the like and that large numbers of people each holiday season use Christmas stamps which carry messages of joy and the compliments of the season.

Arrangements have already been perfected in most of the principal cities of the state and it is anticipated that a large amount of money for education or relief work on tuberculosis will result. Not only the larger cities but very many of the smaller towns, some not exceeding one thousand inhabitants, are ordering the Christmas seals, many of those smaller places preferring to use the proceeds resulting by assisting the larger places where active work is being carried on. Tuberculosis relief work is growing rapidly in the state, a number of the larger cities having established camps or retreats or visiting nurses' associations, which is a token of what may be expected in the future suppression of tuberculosis in the state of Iowa.

Parties desiring seals should at once communicate with the department on tuberculosis, Des Moines, Iowa.

Backache, Headache, Nervousness and rheumatism, both in men and women, mean kidney trouble. Do not allow it to progress beyond the reach of medicine but stop it promptly with Foley Kidney Pills. They regulate the action of the urinary organs. Tonic in action, quick in results. Wilkinson & Co.

WARRANTS ISSUED FOR TRAINMEN

To be Arrested for Blocking Streets of Hannibal With Their Cars.

HANNIBAL, Mo., Nov. 16.—Warrants were issued yesterday by Re-

Dr. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER. Made from Pure, Grape Cream of Tartar. Surpasses every other baking powder in making delicious, healthful food. Protects the food from alum.

order Harrison for the arrest of Conductor Charles Jackson and Engineer John Murphy, of the Burlington for blockading Main street with Burlington train No. 14. The warrants were issued on the complaint of Officer Malia who alleges that their train blockaded Main street last Saturday afternoon for thirteen minutes, an excess of eight minutes, the trains being permitted to remain on the crossing only five minutes under the city ordinance. The officer who made the complaint says that the time of blockading the street crossing was during the rain and hail storm Saturday afternoon when there were several vehicles on both sides of the crossing that were compelled to wait thirteen minutes, he having noted the length of time by his watch. The defendants will be arrested today and arraigned before Judge Harrison on the charge of violating a city ordinance relating to blockading streets. It is a known fact that this crossing is frequently blockaded by trains and numerous complaints have been made without effect.

For All Ayer's Pills are liver pills. All vegetable, sugar-coated. A gentle laxative for all the family. Consult your doctor freely about these pills and about all medical matters. Follow his advice. He certainly knows best.

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We Grow Wise Through Experience. Let the young profit by the experience of those in position to advise. As age creeps upon us, if we have not saved, we spend much of our time wishing we had money. Take our advice, start saving today. Keokuk Savings Bank

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