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IT'S NOT WORTH WHILE. It's not worth while—the fretting, the sighing and the weeping, the best spent your time forgetting.

It's not worth while—the whining, the mourning and the weeping, the mix sunshine with your song, come shake the shades of sadness.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY. Make yourself an honest man and then you may be sure there is one rescuer less in the world.—Carlyle.

There would be no trouble in getting an auto with a conscience if it were not for the engine.

It used to be that when a child was given the initials it meant "Christopher Columbus," now it is "Charley Chaplin."

Asbestos is now being used as an explosive. It has long been one of the most destructive elements known to man.

What has become of the old-fashioned man who used to carry a pocket-comb in a leather case on the inside of his vest?

Winter has closed down on the contending armies in Europe and some of them will be warmed only by the fires of patriotism.

Pity old Andy Carnegie! His fortune has dwindled down to a measly \$20,000,000. Hear the howling of the wolf at the door? No. Neither do we.

In the quadrangle of the Grand Canyon known as Powell plateau, the visible rocks represent in turn nearly every geologic age and the sequence or order of deposit of each series of beds is apparent at a glance.

A recent investigation by Professor Haberlandt of Germany shows that living wood is of much food value, sawwood, twigs and branches containing large quantities of sugar, starch and oil, with some albumen.

"Niagara Falls being out of date," says the Boston Transcript, "why don't the lovers spend their honeymoon at Bliss, Idaho; Joy, Ky.; De-light, Kan., or Paradise, Cal.?"

The 1916 midwinter number of the Los Angeles Times has reached our exchange table. As usual it is filled with a wealth of information so strikingly and convincingly set forth that there is little wonder easterners are attracted to the land of sunshine—and a rare blizzard.

OWNERS OF CARS. Formerly it was said that no man making less than \$3,000 a year could afford an automobile. But now it is certain that more than half the cars operated are owned and driven by persons on smaller incomes than \$3,000.

EARLY ACADEMY IN IOWA. Among the oldest of the academies in Iowa—one which was originated in 1844, and the only one, it seems, which has been continuously maintained since its organization—is the

institution established by Samuel L. Howe at Mount Pleasant. It was first called the Mount Pleasant high school and female seminary, but later it was known simply as Howe's academy, says Aurner's "History of Education."

THE ORIGINAL PROPRIETOR, Samuel L. Howe, had formerly established an academy at Lancaster, Ohio, where Gen. William T. Sherman and Hon. John Sherman had been students.

USING THE NEWSPAPER.

"Do not look for circulars. Our only message to you is here."

This is the way one of the local merchants informs the public of a prescient sale. We believe it is a wise method of informing the buying public. We absolutely know it is so far as The Gate City is concerned, as this paper is giving to the local merchants the largest advertising value ever offered the Keokuk business.

created abroad. The safeguarding of these therapeutic agents requires great accuracy and precision and over-crowding is a serious handicap. In order that the public health may be better protected, an annual appropriation of \$25,000 is recommended to be expended in carrying out the provisions of the law relating to the examination of these products.

BOOK AGENTS.

One of the common experiences of daily life is the call of the book agent. Many of these voluble visitors do not seem open to any kind of advice.

There are many of them who, if you don't take time to look over their wares, will intimate that you are discourteous, ignorant and obstinate.

It will be remarked that a solicitor must be aggressive or he would never win a lawsuit. Still there are few people who can be bluffed, bullied, or sauced into buying things.

The caustic reception so often given to canvassers is perhaps due to the feeling that they do not perform a useful service. In the case of books, you may see a book in a store, but usually you can get something quite as good for less money.

There are some kinds of sales work that can perhaps be done in no other way. Some people have a natural genius for canvassing, and are urbane, resourceful and never arouse antagonism. In many cases their abilities would be better rewarded in some other field of labor.

Young people who want to earn money for an education would usually do better to offer the public some service that they really want. If they will work on farms or wait on tables, or perform some task for which there is demand, they will find their position pleasanter and usually the rewards greater.

If they are set on canvassing, let them remember that politeness is the foundation of success in any calling. If your wares are courteous and polite talk does not interest a person in a book or other article, they would better quit and try some one else.

HEALTH NEWS.

The annual report of the secretary of the treasury as it relates to the public health service contains numerous recommendations bearing on the functions of that organization and evidences the great interest of this department in the extension and expansion of the governmental agencies for the protection of the public health.

In the development of general public health work, according to the secretary, there is great need of additional medical officers. The number of requests for advice and assistance in health problems received from states and municipalities during the past year has far exceeded that in any similar period in the history of the service, but the limited number of officers available for the work has prevented in many instances compliance with these requests.

The field investigations, the secretary states, have served as a stimulus to state and local health agencies, and every effort should therefore be made to encourage and turn to practical account the interest in health matters awakened in the general public. For this reason an increase in the appropriation for field work is requested.

An additional building for the hygienic laboratory is urgently needed. The work of this institution has been greatly extended, particularly as it relates to the examination of viruses, serums and analogous products, a vast market for which has been recently

LEFT HAND A MASS OF PIMPLES

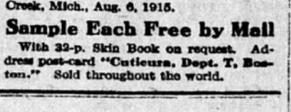
Started With Water Pimples Between Fingers. Was Swollen. Could Not Put it in Water.

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Created abroad. The safeguarding of these therapeutic agents requires great accuracy and precision and over-crowding is a serious handicap. In order that the public health may be better protected, an annual appropriation of \$25,000 is recommended to be expended in carrying out the provisions of the law relating to the examination of these products.

The United States is the only government of importance which does not provide for the care and isolation of lepers. The establishment of a national leprosy hospital where the numerous lepers, most of whom are native born Americans, may be properly segregated and treated, thereby eliminating a menace to the health of others, is urged.

The further recommendations of the secretary relate to the need of additional clerical assistance in order to meet the demands which are increasingly made on the public health bureau.

DON'T HIBERNATE.

The health department is giving the soundest sort of advice to the people of Chicago in these two words. Had the disease-preventing powers of fresh air been more actively employed during the last few weeks it seems quite certain that the number of deaths the last week in December would not have run 400 above the average, says the Chicago Herald.

Too many people in no sense poverty-stricken have a tendency to hibernate as soon as the weather begins to grow cold. They close up their houses, and not merely the "living" rooms, but also the sleeping rooms. Lack of fresh air in the latter is more injurious than in the former. We go in and out of "living" rooms and so give our lungs an occasional bath. In sleeping rooms we stay occasionally for a third or more of the twenty-four hours.

Possibly the "open" dwelling, practically undivided by doors, uniformly heated and so apt to be uniformly unventilated, has much to do with such situations as Chicago saw in the last week of 1915, with applicants for burial permits standing in lines. Certain it is that the last days of December spoiled what would otherwise have been a mortality record for Chicago to boast of. And of all the kinds of waste, the waste of health and strength is the most injurious to the social welfare.

Defending Egypt. New York World: The strategy of a German-Turkish attack on Egypt is simple. It would be designed to draw off British troops to fight Turks and desert Moslems instead of fighting Germans.

Except higher officers, engineers and artillerymen, no Germans need be sent to Egypt. Fighting would be left to the Turks, most of whom must be drawn from Asia Minor, as they were for the Baghdad campaign. In Mesopotamia and Arabia conscription is never really enforced.

So an attack on Egypt in force, not a mere raid like that on El Kantara early in the war, is a problem in transportation. The soldiers must travel an average distance of 1,000 miles or more, part of the way through desert. German military material must be carried more than 2,000 miles, most of the way on a single line of railroad, with one water gap and three other interruptions, the journey occupying twelve days from Constantinople, as an Associated Press correspondent figures it. British men and munitions go by sea.

To speak of pouring half a million men into Egypt is to describe a feat unlikely, if not impossible. A quarter of the number might give England a fright. Yet England may not be so easily scared as a year ago. For months she has been defending Egypt at Gallipoli. She may choose next year to defend the Suez canal by a push into the Balkans.

Editor Wheatstone, the Optimist.

Columbus Safeguard: We believe that in time liquor laws in this country will be almost unnecessary and that cases of intoxication will be unknown. Education brings about many reforms. Refinement has cured many evils. Only a few years ago three-fourths the men you met were squirting tobacco juice in all directions and chewing like an Anchor goat in a brush patch. Nearly every boy in life's teens was nibbling at Navy plug or fine cut and developed the filthy habit. Now it seems that few men use the weed and it is a rare thing to see a boy chewing tobacco. About the age when they fear that their brains will

HEARD AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Representative Philip Pitt Campbell of Kansas, one of the most astute republicans of the house, views the outlook for 1916 with great complacency and optimism. He says: "The republicans are not doing any worrying this time. The recent gathering of the democratic national committee showed conclusively that their enthusiasm of four years ago was conspicuous by its absence. Then they displayed the utmost confidence, now they are going about with apprehension and misgivings. The democrats are getting their only comfort and cheer from the fact that the republicans have not settled on any candidate. I believe the republicans were never so strong as when there was doubt about whom to nominate. When we meet in convention next year we will name some great and good man, who will lead us to victory and to national prosperity."

Former Congressman Polite Elvins of Elvins, Mo., was on the floor of the house greeting old friends and acquaintances during the past week. At the time he was elected he was one of the youngest men ever chosen to congress. Mr. Elvins is a business man and one of the leading republicans of Missouri, and was a delegate to the Chicago convention from the state in 1912. In speaking of the outlook in Missouri from a republican angle in 1916, he said to a group of members: "Just keep your eye on Missouri in the elections of 1916. I think we have a most excellent chance to carry the state for president and also to elect a republican United States senator. Our party is united and is pulling together, while our political foes before the world are fighting their own. The tariff and other policies of the democratic party are not in accord with the views of thousands of voters in Missouri, and there is every indication that our state will swing into the republican column by a substantial majority next year."

"I can tell you the people of my district are not shouting praises at the policies of Woodrow Wilson," said

of preparedness. If the north had been as well prepared for war in 1861-1864 as the south, there would have been no war. If Great Britain had been as well prepared for war as Germany, there would be no war. As any old soldier of the war of 1861-1865 can verify, on every battlefield of the early part of that war there were cannons and arms marked U. S., Springfield, Mass., Baton Rouge, U. S. arsenals, indicating that the U. S. arms were transferred by Floyd and the cabinet of the president of the United States at that time, from the north to the south in preparedness for the civil war of 1861-1865.

If we want to continue our prosperity, peace and happiness in this country we must prepare for defense without delay. When we are prepared for war we will not fear the threats of Germany, Japan or any other nation. Because of our preparedness, France evacuated Mexico upon the suggestion of the United States in 1866. Let us in peace spend our millions of dollars in preparedness, thereby save the lives, peace, happiness and rights of our people and country, rather than spend billions in defensive war. I only plead for defensive war, and only in favor of offensive war by a vote of our people or the necessary incident of a defensive war. Obey the dictates of wisdom, prepare for war in time of peace.

W. B. COLLINS.

MEMBER OF SAFETY FIRST COMMITTEE

C. W. Bailey of Keokuk is chosen on Burlington Route Organization. W. C. Welch of Hannibal, Mo., superintendent of the Burlington, and chairman of the Hannibal division safety committee, for the year 1916, has named the members of his committee. C. W. Bailey, switchman in the local yards, has been named one of the members of this committee by the chairman. This is a Burlington route organization to foster the safety first movement which is started by this road. Following is the full committee:

W. C. Welch, superintendent, Hannibal, Mo.; chairman; G. A. Law, assistant superintendent, St. Louis, Mo.; S. O. Wilkinson, trainmaster, Hannibal, Mo.; William Hibbard, road foreman, Hannibal, Mo.; G. F. Bower, roadmaster, Hannibal, Mo.; H. Zimmerman, master carmaster, Hannibal, Mo.; W. B. Welch, night yardmaster, Hannibal, Mo.; C. W. Bailey, switchman, Keokuk, Iowa; H. Zerkel, switchman, North St. Louis, Mo.; Chas. Horn, switchman, East St. Louis, Ill.; Chas. Wachendorfer, conductor, Hannibal, Mo.; Geo. H. Huntsman, brakeman, Hannibal, Mo.; A. W. Larsson, engineer, Hannibal, Mo.; E. N. Morrison, fireman, Hannibal, Mo.; A. B. Cooper, re-checker, St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. J. J. Bourn, medical examiner, Hannibal, Mo.; W. H. Blackshaw, secretary, Hannibal, Mo.

MANY HIT TRAIL AT EMPORIA, KANS. Scoville Who Will Conduct Evangelistic Services Here, Meeting With Much Success in West.

[Special to The Gate City.] EMPORIA, Kan., Jan. 8.—Five hundred and twenty-two persons hit the glory trail here last night when Evangelist Charles Reign Scoville extended his first invitation to all who expect to line up for Jesus Christ in this campaign. The evangelist's mystical director waved his arms as Scoville, his face wet with sweat, closed his sermon and the crowds started down every aisle of the tabernacle to the strains of a time honored hymn. Scoville began his revival here a week ago. Among the trail hitters tonight were many students. Many of those

BACKACHE, LUMBAGO AND RHEUMATIC TROUBLES.

Dear Mr. Editor—I wish to state that I suffered greatly from backache, lumbago and rheumatic troubles. "Anuric," the latest discovery of Doctor Pierce for backache and kidney troubles, and I can cheerfully recommend the "Anuric Tablets" to anyone suffering from any of these maladies. Yours truly, J. F. GARDNER, Leon, Iowa.

NOTE: It is now asserted with confidence that these painful effects due to uric acid in the system are entirely eradicated. A new remedy, called "Anuric," has been discovered by Dr. Pierce, and is the cause of a drainage outward of the uric acid with which it comes in contact within the body. It will ward off backache, headache, and the darting pains and aches of articular or muscular rheumatism—of those diseases which are caused by too much uric acid, such as asthma, sciatica, renal calculus. "Anuric" prolongs life because old people naturally suffer from hardening and thickening of the arteries, and it is due to the excess of uric acid in the blood and tissues.

Dr. Pierce, who is director and chief physician at the Invalids' Hotel and Clinic, Buffalo, N. Y., has been testing this wonderful medicine for the relief of over-worked and weakened kidneys. The relief obtained by sufferers has been so satisfactory that he has determined to place "Anuric" with the principal druggists in town where people could get this ready-to-use medicine. "Anuric" is a natural remedy, and it aids nature in throwing off those poisons within the body which cause so much suffering, pain and misery. Scientific assays of this remedy is 37 times more potent than lithia.

For Diabetes and Bright's Disease this remedy is building up a reputation as good as Dr. Pierce's other well-known medicine which have been proven reliable. It aids nature in throwing off those poisons within the body which cause so much suffering, pain and misery. Scientific assays of this remedy is 37 times more potent than lithia.

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came forward; did so to signify their intention of supporting the evangelist in the local campaign. Scoville converted more than four thousand persons at Jefferson City, Mo., last month. Couldn't Talk. "What did he have to say for himself?" "Nothing. His wife was with him."