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REVELATION. Let me tell how rhythm with its rhyme should flow: As the laugh of leaves when soft zephyrs blow; As the waves with graceful hand; Write their names on the sand. Let me tell how music with its verse should mate: As the dark with dawn, rap, inviolate; As the soul and sun disclose Sweet communion in a rose. Let me tell how fancy from the heart should leap: As the cloud full fraught rises from the deep; As the spring at God's behest; Wake, and, in, by the wind, the moonlight's best. Let me tell how I would be to you the breath of balm: That sighs from folded blossoms, wet with dew; The day's first dawn ray I would be to you, The starlight's gleam and the moonlight's calm; I would be as a pillow to your cheek When toil is done and care hath ceased to grieve; I would be the dear dream your soul doth seek The dream whose joy no waking hour can give. When strength is ebbing and the road is long, I would be the firm staff within your hand, A pillar of fire within your heart, A shadow through the sun's bright gleam, A shadow through the sun's bright gleam, A shadow through the sun's bright gleam, A shadow through the sun's bright gleam.

Bestowals. Dear, I would be to you the breath of balm: That sighs from folded blossoms, wet with dew; The day's first dawn ray I would be to you, The starlight's gleam and the moonlight's calm; I would be as a pillow to your cheek When toil is done and care hath ceased to grieve; I would be the dear dream your soul doth seek The dream whose joy no waking hour can give. When strength is ebbing and the road is long, I would be the firm staff within your hand, A pillar of fire within your heart, A shadow through the sun's bright gleam, A shadow through the sun's bright gleam, A shadow through the sun's bright gleam, A shadow through the sun's bright gleam.

THE war department has given out a carefully prepared statement comparing the imports and exports of the Philippine islands for the seven months ending January 31, 1901, with the same period a year previous. This statement is intended, of course, to show that the United States ownership and control of the islands is benefitting our trade, but a careful study of the figures presented shows little to encourage that idea. When the number of American soldiers and civilians on the islands is considered, the increase in the imports from the United States from \$890,010 to \$1,403,488 seems absurdly small, especially when the increase during the same period in imports from Europe was from \$5,270,796 to \$8,974,183. In the exports from the islands the United States makes a still shorter showing the latter seven months, showing only \$1,477,611 against \$2,037,530 the same seven months of the previous year. What adds to the aggravation of these figures is that exports to Europe show an increase from \$3,201,553 to \$7,983,751. Even admitting that the commerce of the Philippines will in the course of time become as great as the most sanguine predict, where will the benefit to United States commerce come in, if Europe is to continue to control the lion's share of it? And there seems no way to shut the European out. The treaty of Paris pledges the United States to give equal commercial privileges to all nations in the Philippines. Those who think the Philippines will not be an important figure in our future politics should lose no time in taking another hard look on the subject. —Iowa State Advertiser.

THE late Empress Frederick, mother of the emperor of Germany, is described as a woman who had a man's head and a child's heart. If she had possessed a woman's tact it might have served her better and made her life happier. The nomination of A. B. Cummins was a great victory for Mugwumpery in Iowa. Many regard the result as a common sense protest against the tyranny of party politics. At any event the outcome will lead to more independence on the part of voters than has heretofore been shown. The "embalmed beef" scandal rid the war department of Alger and Egan. It is to be hoped that the cowardly slanders which the navy department has encouraged against a brave and gallant officer will result in driving out of the public service Long, Crowlinsfield and all the brood of sycophants that these two men have succeeded in gathering around them in the past three years. —Peoria Herald-Transcript. We can understand why Hanna is so strong with his party. He is an ideal republican and from a republican standpoint there is no reason why he should not be nominated for president. One of his chief qualifications is the fact that he possesses a "barrel" of his own which he has shown a readiness to tap, even for others. He would make it fairly gush for his own candidacy and he could probably secure more boodles from the trusts than any other candidate. After all, why not Hanna for the republican nomination? —Atlanta Journal. Six years ago this fall, an aged couple by the name of Schultz, living sixteen miles southwest of Cherokee, were murdered. The old people had between \$1,300 and \$1,500 hidden in the house, \$600 being in the old bible. Only a small part of the money was taken. Three years ago a man by the name of Skinner was tried for the crime, but was acquitted. The murdered woman had two brothers, George and John Montgomery, living near. Both brothers are well-to-do farmers. Suspicion has pointed a finger toward the brother from the first, but there was nothing definite. Since that time George's mind became unbalanced and he has been at the asylum for some time. John's wife died from nervous decline. Recently there has been trouble in the family and a son of George has turned state's evidence, and the matter is now before the grand jury. Both brothers and their families as well as a foster son of John, George Goodrich, have been called before the grand jury of Cherokee county. If the boy's confession is accepted there will be a solution of one of the dark crimes of the county's history. A little more than a year ago David Home, a traveling barber, drifted into Anita, Iowa and secured work in a shop on the lower Main street. A good workman and a jovial fellow, he soon made many friends, but he had one grievous fault and that an addiction to strong liquor, which led him to drink anything in the way of intoxicants that could be obtained. In his search for something that would intoxicate, one day he drank some bay rum and wood alcohol, and in a few hours was a corpse. Kind hearted citizens purchased a lot and gave him a decent burial, and the incident was almost forgotten, when a few days ago there came along another barber who secured work in the same shop and after disclosing his identity it was discovered that he was a brother of David Home, and whom he had not seen for eighteen years, at which time they had met in Des Moines, quarreled and each expressed the wish that might never meet again. He had never heard of his brother's death until he arrived in Anita. Monday Charles Home was laid to rest beside his brother in Evergreen cemetery. He, too, having inquired in wood alcohol and bay rum with the same result, thus ending the strangest coincidence ever occurring in Anita. —Ex.

THE exact condition of the crop in which it will give the best returns, all things considered cannot be clearly described in all cases and under all conditions, but ordinarily it is found when the ears are fully dentured and the lower leaves of the stalk have turned brown. Some times the corn crop ripens very quickly, owing to a period of heat and dry weather in September. The corn fields should be watched closely and when the plant is in the right condition, the corn binders or cutters should be started and kept at work continuously until the crop is secured. Unless corn fields are very badly fired and the stalks entirely dry and withered, the plant will gather considerable nutrient during the last 30 days of the season. It is not a good idea to cut the corn until it is well dentured, as any means indicate that the plant is destroyed, so far as the growth and elaboration of nutriment in the stalk is concerned, even though the ears may be entirely lacking. Some of the worst fields of corn in the vicinity of Ames has been analyzed by Dr. Weems, station chemist, and found to contain over 70 percent of water, which is more than was found in green corn in normal conditions where it had not suffered from the drought. Both practical experience and observation in feeding a careful chemical study demonstrate that the corn that makes and stores most of its nutriment during the latter stages of growth, and this should be kept in mind in securing the present season's crop. Iowa Experiment Station, Ames, Ia.

SIGNALING MARS. The Dilemma of Doing So by Means of Light. The very largest city that this earth has ever known would be altogether too small to be visible to a being dwelling on the planet Mars, even if with a telescope as powerful as the greatest and most perfect instrument in any observatory on this globe. If the whole extent of Lake Superior was covered with petroleum and if that petroleum were sent from here not as a great and striking consideration, but as a tiny little point of just discernible light. The disk of Mars is not a large object, and the conflagration would not extend over the three hundredth part of that disk. It is sufficient to state these facts to show that the possibility of signaling to Mars is entirely beyond the power of human resources. —Sir Robert S. Ball in Independent. The Queer Mistakes That Are Sometimes Made by Authors. We smile as we read and pass swiftly by the stories of maidens that wander in "lonely woods" at midnight hours of night, always clad in "a soft, white clinging gown." Now, every girl knows that the average maiden is too much afraid of tramps and snakes to wander in "lonely woods." The weather, too, appears to perplex our novelists, for not infrequently they begin a chapter at dawn, there are a few moments' conversation, and then the "sun sets in lurid bands behind the distant empyrean mountains." I am reminded at the outset of an English story written by an author of repute where the heroine in one scene was made on one page to stoop down and tie her shoestring, while three pages farther on, directly following, it couldn't get up. He was picked up, and then the stones were heaped up inside of him. An official connected with the park decided that something must be done, and he promptly cut the cormorant open and relieved him of his burden. One of the stones, of irregular shape, was 3 1/2 inches long, and for five days the bird got along all right, the wound healing finely, but at the end of that time the cormorant grew restive and pulled out the stitches with his hooked bill. As a consequence of opening up the wound he died. Artificial Stone. Quarrymen and stone dressers will probably be gradually crowded out of their occupation by the use of artificial stone. In the manufacture of this stone the sand is heated and the cement added to the amount of 12 per cent of the mixture. The steel molds are filled with the dry material and moved into an immense cylinder, which is closed and bolted. Boiling water is then turned in under pressure sufficient to force it all through the sand in the molds. The cement slacks, but the steel molds do not permit any expansion to occur, and the stone is formed and dried under an immense pressure. The result is a very hard stone, which can be supplied in shapes desired and much cheaper than the natural stone. Noncooking Restaurants. Odd as it may appear to dwellers in small cities, some of the downtown restaurants of New York are in buildings which do not permit any expansion to occur, and the stone is formed and dried under an immense pressure. The result is a very hard stone, which can be supplied in shapes desired and much cheaper than the natural stone. Golf in the Old Days. Centuries back golf was a pastime of the royal family, though then usually played in Scotland. The Stuart family was very fond of the game, and the first English club was established at Blackheath in 1608 by James I. His eldest son, Henry, frequently played and on one occasion nearly played by accident his tutor with a club, whereupon he coolly remarked, "Had I done so I had but paid my debts." Charles I was playing golf when he received the news of the Irish rebellion. James, Duke of York, afterward James II, was another ardent player. Golf is frequently mentioned in ancient Scottish records and in the fifteenth century was prohibited because it interfered with the practice of archery. Strutt considered it the most ancient game at ball requiring a bat. —London Chronicle. The Squirrel Hunter's Weapon. The cream of squirrel hunting is enjoyed by the man who uses a light rifle of such caliber and moderate power. The "22 long" is now turned out by our leading makers is an excellent weapon—in fact, the best in the world for the purpose. Though not of sufficient range to be dangerous to people or stock at a distance, it throws lead with surprising accuracy to the tops of the tallest trees. Good rifle shots always aim for the squirrel's head shot to add to the difficulty of the sport and to avoid spoiling meat. And he it knows that a squirrel's head at a range of 40 or 50 yards is no easy mark. If

Table with columns: Date of Cutting, Stage of Growth, Corn per acre, Water per acre, Dry matter per acre. Rows: July 29 Tassel, Aug. 9 Silk, Sept. 7 Glazed, Sept. 25 Rippe.

These figures make it clear that an acre of corn at maturity is worth fully four times as much as it is when in tassel, and that an acre of corn when in the glazed or dentured stage of the ears is worth about twice as much as when in milk. The time for cutting corn, to secure the highest returns and value of fodder and grain combined is comparatively short. As a rule, it does not exceed ten days at the outside, although it may vary more than this with early and late varieties. These facts make it clear that the condition should be carefully studied and the crop secured when it will yield the highest returns in feeding value and quality of product. The corn situation in this state has materially improved during the last half of August, and if the weather conditions are favorable it will make still greater improvement during the first ten or fifteen days of September. Practically all of the corn fodder of the state should be saved, but the crop should be allowed to mature and the product secured in the best possible condition. At the Iowa experiment station an increase of ten bushels per acre has taken place in the corn crop in ten days to two weeks, between the beginning of the denting stage and the fully dentured condition.

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