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Annual Meeting General Society of Daughters of the Revolution. Denver Colorado, April 23 to 25, 1902.

For the above occasion a rate of one and one-third fare on the certificate plan will be made. Tickets on sale the three days before the opening date, and first three days of the meeting. Returning trip to be made not later than three days after the closing date of the meeting.
14w4 H. G. PIERCE, Agent.

The large and increasing circulation of The Iowa Homestead in this county is a matter for congratulation to the publishers and to good farming, for, of all the papers of its class in the country, it is easily the best and most helpful. Its Special Farmers' Institute editions, issued with the regular edition the first week in each month, have been for years the admiration of all practical farmers. Written wholly by farmers, they are full of actual experience, and smell of the soil. We have been fortunate enough this season to secure terms for The Homestead and its Special Farmers' Institute Editions, together with The Poultry Farmer and The Farmers' Mutual Insurance Journal, four of the most valuable farm publications in the country, that enable us to offer the four in connection with our own paper for $1.90 for the entire five, one year. This is emphatically a good thing, and no farmer in this county should fail to take advantage of this offer. For a large line of thoroughly practical farm reading nothing has ever been offered before that equals it. A county paper, a farm paper, a poultry paper, a farm insurance paper and the Special Farmers' Institute, all for $1.90 Come in and order them.

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And Elder Flower Cream is the best protection for the face from the Spring Winds, Healing and soothing, it keeps away black heads and other blemishes.
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Small Load by Comparison.

What a protesting roar will rise in Britain if the ministry carries out its rumored project of putting a tariff upon grain and flour! But a duty of 4 per cent, such as London fears, does not look so terrible to Americans, who meekly pay 35 per cent on furniture, 60 per cent on clothing, and on raw sugar 95 per cent.—New York World.

A. B. Cummins may be a republican, but his muscles showed democratic training when he hit the merger bill between the eyes. Governor Cummins may not have busted bronchos and played the spectacular before a spell-bound public, but he has a knack of striking home. And, best of all, he does it without the swagger of a demagogue. He may not be posted on coyotes and things, but he is keeping an eye on Iowa. Iowa has had three governors since Kirkwood—Larrabee, Boies and Cummins.—What Cheer Reporter.

A reader of The Commoner asks for an explanation of the initiative and referendum. The phrase is used to describe a system employed in some foreign countries, especially Switzerland, to some extent in this country, whereby the people can, first, by petition compel the submission of a question, and second, secure by petition a chance to vote upon a measure before it becomes effective. The initiative refers to the first process, and the referendum to the second. The system was indorsed in the last democratic national platform and has been indorsed by the democratic party in a number of states. It has been indorsed by the populist party and is advocated by most labor organizations. The principle of the referendum is already recognized by the submission of constitutional amendments, bond issues, county seat removals and other important questions, to popular vote. The initiative part of the system is also provided for on certain questions. There is a growing sentiment in favor of the application of the initiative and referendum because it protects the people from misrepresentation at the han is of their public servants and makes the government more responsive to the wishes of the people.—The Commoner.

The Boer Peace Propositions.

The terms of peace proposed by the Boer delegates in Holland as a basis for negotiation in South Africa, and now under consideration at the Klerkdorp conference by Messrs. Steyn, Schalkburger and Reitz, are perhaps at the moment the chief subject of interest to the whole world. They have not been officially stated, but the Edinburgh Evening News prints upon what it claims to be good authority a series of tentative propositions. The more positive and definite of these follow:

Confiscated property to be returned to owners; private property destroyed or taken to be paid for; state debts of the republics up to the date of Lord Robert's annexation to be recognized; the language question to be agreed upon later; amnesty for "rebels;" release of political prisoners; a fixed date for the return of war prisoners; friendly powers to superintend the carrying out of the terms of peace finally agreed upon.

There is nothing in these conditions which Great Britain ought not to be willing to accept, though London hotheads who never saw a warlike shot fired may complain of granting terms to the Cape Colonists in the Boer ranks.

But the most significant of these proposals is the statement of the Boer delegates that they will not make absolute independence the main issue if a satisfactory arrangement can be reached for the future government of the two states.

Surely when so much is conceded the British must in their turn display the far-seeing statesmanship of generosity and bring to a close this dismal chapter writ in fire and blood in the history of South Arica.—N. Y. World.

The young man who is born rich is seriously handicapped for success in life. He hasn't the spur of necessity, and unless he is peculiarly trained and more than ordinarily organized he has little ambition. The world is too easy for him. Its temptations are about him on every side with bad habits which make him worthless, or laziness or idleness which makes him useless. Of course, there are a few sons of rich men who have successes in life, but they are so exceptional their cases are very marked and remarked.

On the other hand, by being born poor I do not mean extreme poverty. Granted that with the advantages of the public schools the boy's parents can give him a first class education and then he has to make his own career, the spur of necessity will arouse every faculty which helps make success. With moderate success comes ambition, and as his spheres of activity enlarge he acquires a sense of power. He learns the value of temperance and character. He knows by experience that health and industry can accomplish almost anything and carry its possessor almost anywhere. As he grows in position, wealth and influence he is the more thankful every day for the condition which compelled him to do his mightiest or drop out of sight.

Take a number of young men who are born rich, and if the statistics were available and it could be found how many of them reached sixty and how many in proportion accomplished anything for themselves or for the world the story would be a ghastly one of untimely ends or failures in life.

On the other hand, the vast majority of those who start under the conditions that I have mentioned live long and prosper. From their number come those who move the world and govern it, who are its masters in business enterprises, its leaders in the professions, its statesmen and rulers, its men of thought and action.—Chauncey M. Depew.

Good-Night.

Little girl sweetheart, with eyes that shine,
Blue as the skies of a May day morn,
Lips that are wreathed with a smile divine,
Velvety cheeks that I press to mine;
Life has seemed fairer since you were born.
Fold up your petals, my rosebud white,
Good-night, dear baby, good-night, good-night.

Little girl sweetheart, I love you so!
How deep that love you will never know,
Time after time, when my supper is through,
With joy in my heart I call upon you,
Bend o'er your cab till upon my ear
Falls the faint music I long to hear,
Made by your breathing so soft and light,
Good-night, dear baby, good-night, good-night.

And at our home as I nightly kneel,
To the All-Father I make appeal,
That He will guide you and guard and bless,
Touch you with love and unselfishness,
Mould you and lead you life's path along,
That you may grow womanly, true and strong,
That He may grant you a future bright,
Good-night, dear baby, good-night, good-night.

Sometime in days that are yet to be,
In the last hours you shall come to me.
You who shall stand at your life's proud prime,
I whose head shall be touched with rime.
There shall we part for the last sad time.
Then, as the world recedes from my view,
On your dear face I will turn my sight
And out of death I will call to you,
Good-night, dear baby, good-night, good-night.

The last word in the colored oleomargarine case is to be said by the Supreme Court of the United States. The tax of ten cents a pound on "bull butter" artificially colored in imitation of the product of the bossy cow has passed both houses of congress and will no doubt receive the presidential approval. It is in fact a sort of a tariff levied on the factitious products for the benefit of the farmer. As such it is the most thorough bit of protection he has yet received. It is, however, a form of tariff that can be fetched into court, and the chances are it will get there. The big combine of Chicago packers, the principal oleomargarine producer of the country, has not yet been defeated, and it would be a reversal of precedents should it meet legal disaster on so small a matter to it as the bogus butter proposition.—Iowa State Press.

Timely Stock Notes.

It is a good plan to have heifers drop their first calf at about two years old.

Good corn silage is highly relished by stock, and is an economical food for fattening steers.

Pulp roots or mangels, carrots, sugar beets and the like should form a part of each day's winter feed.

Weed out the poor cows, sheep and fowls. They are a source of loss continually, and good for nothing when spring comes.

A ration of three parts of corn ensilage, by weight, with one part of oat straw, is adapted to maintain health in the animal.

The temperature of the stable has much to do with the fattening of the beef animal or the quantity of milk from a milch cow.

If the heifer is to freshen in the spring, feed her well in the early winter. Add four quarts of bran daily to the coarse fodder.

As the heifer nears the time of dropping the calf give her a little corn meal in addition to above and a little linseed meal to keep digestion free.

At an experiment station in Canada it was shown that an average two-year-old steer would eat its weight in different materials in about two weeks.

Don't keep the cows in milk the year around. They should have a month's vacation at least, and if you can arrange to have that month in August, do so. It's fly time then.

In raising calves for the dairy, commence with the breeding.

Usually wean such calves from their dams when five days old.

If horses have pin worms, try an injection of soapsuds and weak tobacco tea night and morning.

When a bull's hair is rough and looks dead, feed a good quality of oilcake and card him thoroughly.

Beware of disease if you buy sheep or swine from a distance that have passed through stock yards and have been transported in the cars.

For wounds from barbed wire, apply carbolic acid, one part, with lard, eight parts. Cleanse the wound first. Then substitute another sort of fence.

Grow Early Corn This Year.

We have never heretofore advocated the planting of the earliest varieties of corn, by which we mean the smaller and therefore earlier varieties than those which produce their best development in a given location. This year we think it advisable for several reasons.

First, corn is likely to range from 50 cents to 65 cents per bushel on the farm all over the corn growing sections until the new crop is ready to feed. Any corn, therefore, that can be grown fit for feeding before the ordinary crop comes in will be worth the price of old corn. It is really better to grow thirty bushels of Pride of the North, or Longfellow Dent, or any other early variety of corn worth 50 cents a bushel than it is to grow fifty bushels of field corn worth 30 cents per bushel. These early varieties if planted somewhat thickly and early will produce more than thirty bushels. We have known them to produce fifty and even sixty bushels. Therefore, we would say to grow some of these early varieties because bushel for bushel they are almost certain to be worth more money.

The second reason is that we nearly always have a shortage of pasture in July and August. It will, therefore, pay dairymen especially who want to maintain the flow of milk during this dry season and through the rest of the year to provide themselves with some good, substantial early feed.

The third reason is that if the farmer has to buy corn at fifty cents per bushel, his pigs are not likely to get the benefit of it, whereas if he can grow it he will be able to make a growth on shoats that will enable him to put them on the market at the high prices usually prevailing in August and September, whereas if he had to buy the corn he wouldn't get them in condition until November and at the lowest prices to which packers can depress the market. We, therefore, suggest to dairymen who wish to supplement short pastures that they plant as early as they can get a temperature of 55 degrees in the soil, which in the latitude of Des Moines will be about the first of May, or perhaps a few days before that, later north, and earlier south, an acre or two of either Pride of the North or Yellow Dent corn. When these early corns come up, plant some variety of early sweet corn. The Early Minnesota is the earliest, Early Crosby the next, and Early Hickox next. In this latitude he can feed these, whether to hogs or cattle, in July.—Wallace's Farmer.

A TALE OF TWO CITIES.

The Perils of Living Near the Mexican Boundary Line.

"Some peculiar conditions prevail at the twin cities of Nogales, Mexico, and Nogales, Ariz.," said the Detroiter, who recently returned from a visit to Mexico. "The international boundary line is formed by a street that divides the two towns, and the boundary stakes are set out with a very nice regard for technicalities. There is a saloon there which has more than a local reputation, and the proprietor is certainly an enterprising individual. His saloon is located on the street dividing the two counties and at a point where the dividing line is not clearly defined. The patron of this saloon buys his drink in America, and, stepping across the hall, he buys his cigar in Mexico. In this way the proprietor avoids the duty on imported cigars and can provide his customers with the best make at lower prices than most of his competitors.

"They tell an amusing story about an American who imbibed too much fighting whisky at this saloon. When he arrived at a certain stage, he allowed his prejudices to get the better of him, and, standing near the boundary line of his own country, he heaped anathemas and hurled defiances at the people across the border. A couple of Mexican officers stood across the street almost within reach of the pugnacious American, hoping that he would stroll across into Mexico. He did get over there after awhile, although the trip was wholly unpremeditated. During a harangue against Mexican institutions in general and the police in particular he happened to lurch too far over to starboard and fell into Mexico. The alert cops promptly grabbed him, and, though he didn't get a chance to take in the sights, he paid quite an extended visit to the country he had so eloquently maligned."—Detroit Free Press.

LONG RANGE BAPTISM.

Christening In Scotland Was Conducted Under Difficulties.

In wide and sparsely populated highland districts of Scotland it not infrequently happens that a parent is obliged to walk a distance of five or six miles with an infant for baptism.

It is related of a minister of the north that he agreed to accommodate a parishioner thus situated by meeting him at a stream midway between the parents' house and the manse and there baptizing the child at the running water.

It so happened that by the time the parties came to opposite sides of the bourn heavy rains had swollen it into a rapid torrent, so that neither party could approach the other.

Unwilling to turn back with the "bairn" unbaptized, the farmer proposed that the minister should splash water across. Accordingly the minister stepped down to the stream and endeavored to throw handfuls of water on the farmer's baby.

"Ha'e ye got ony o' that?" he cried at each successive splash.

"De'il a spairge," was the reply.

At last a few of the splashes were communicated to the infant's face, and the ceremony was then concluded in the usual form.

Before retiring to their respective homes the farmer produced a bottle of whisky, crying across, "As I canna offer ye a glass owre the held o' this, here's the bottle—kepp!" And he threw it across the stream.

The bottle was caught, it is related, with a precision that betokened on the part of his reverence, if not considerable practice, at least considerable dexterity.—Stray Stories.

THE NEW MANAGER.

Why He Did Not Discharge a Certain Railroad Conductor.

Among the first railroads built in the United States was a little line about twenty miles in length. In the course of time a big tunnel line was constructed through the same country. The original line became merely a branch. For many years it was run in a cheap way, with one locomotive, one engineer and two or three freight cars.

Finally a new general manager was appointed. He had been in the office but a week when he sent for the one lone conductor who had held the position ever since the road was built.

"I would like to have your resignation," said the general manager when the conductor appeared.

"My resignation?" inquired the conductor in astonishment.

"Yes, sir, yours."

"What for, pray?"

"Well, I want to make some changes and get new blood in the line," was the general manager's reply.

"I won't resign," answered the conductor.

"Then I will be compelled to discharge you, a step which for your sake I had hoped I would be saved from taking."

"Young man, you will not discharge me. I own a controlling interest in the stock of this railroad and elect the president and board of directors. I shall have you fired."

The old conductor did really own the majority of the stock and, as he said, put in his own board of directors and president.

Lion and Eagle.

An English paper notes it as a curious fact that although the eagle is the national bird of the United States and therefore deserving of peculiar honor, yet, in point of fact, the bird is nearly always ruthlessly killed when the opportunity offers.

This statement seems to be impressive until it is remembered that whenever they have a chance Englishmen ruthlessly kill the lion, which symbolizes the greatness and power of the British empire.—New York Tribune.

Literary Subjects.

"Whom did you discuss at your literary club this afternoon, dear?" asked the husband in the evening.

"Let me see," murmured his wife. "Oh, yes, I remember now! Why, we discussed that woman who recently moved into the house across the street from us and Longfellow."—Ohio State Journal.

A Financial View.

Eustacia—I knew that man was a physician by the way in which he shook hands—his tender, delicate, considerate touch.

Edgar—Yes, of course; that's his five dollar touch.—Detroit Free Press.

The man who wants to prove everything he says advertises the fact that his word isn't to be credited.—Chicago News.

Coal.

With the advent of the M. & O. R. R. and the comlpetion of our new coal sheds on that line, we shall be in position to offer special inducements to the users of

Indiana Block Coal.

Other grades of Soft and Hard coal delivered promptly.

HOLLISTER LUMBER COMPANY.
Manchester, Iowa.

Fresh Canned Goods.

Remember that T. N. Arnold has no old canned goods, that he has carried over from year to year. The stock is all new and the quality was never better. We have a fine Lemon Cling Peach at 15c per can; good corn 3 cans for 25c; 3 lb cans of Tomatoes 10c; Peas, 10c. These are only a few of the bargains. Come and see for yourself.

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The Truest Thing I Ever Tolled."

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