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Derr & Lamberd Head to Foot Outfitters

1902. WE ANNOUNCE 1902.

OUR SPRING OPENING

—FOR—

NEXT SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd,

And every day during the following week, at which time we shall display the latest Easter Fashions in all departments.

YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO BE PRESENT.

New Millinery FOR SPRING.

Our formal opening will not take place until next week. But so many pretty things have come to us already it is impossible to withhold this display longer.

All the newest and latest shapes are to be seen, including all the styles to wear with costumes.

Our styles of course are exclusive.

Patent Leather Belts.

25c KIND 19c.

Also many other new style Leather and Silk Belts; just the latest novelties at all prices from 25c to 75c—come get a new Belt.

New Corsets.

American Lady and Thomson's Glove Fitting Corsets give ease and comfort as well as a perfect form. Our $1 grades give you more value for the price than any other Corset made.

All our new Spring shapes and styles are here.

Every lady getting a new gown will surely want a new Corset—try one of these very popular styles, $1.00.

Our "Model" Corset is the best 50c Corset made—long or short waist.

FULL SHOWING OF

NEW SILKS and DRESS GOODS

We are now showing practically our complete assortment of new Spring dress materials of every sort, including many exclusive designs and weaves.

Printed Satin Foulards.

Many new and exclusive designs in these very popular Dress Silks have just been opened—you should see the styles and colorings at 75c and 89c.

Black Silk Morie $1.00.

This is among the newest and most wanted Silks of today. The quality is superb and the Morie effect is beautiful—we have it also in cream at $1.00 yard.

Silk Warp Sublime $1.00.

One of our most desirable fabrics, in black and all the light shades now so stylish—38 inches wide and half silk, for $1.00 yard.

New Black Goods.

Hundreds of new styles and weaves, in black wool goods for spring wear, from the low grades to the very finest—all moderately priced.

New Kid Gloves FOR SPRING.

Our new importation of Kid Gloves are here. They include all the new shades and styles. Clasps or hooks, in Glace Kid or Suede—blacks and colors.

Our "Model" Gloves at $1.00 are without exception the best values ever given for the price.

Our "Melrose" Real Kid Glove in black, at $1.50, cannot be equalled at the price anywhere.

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15c KIND 10c.

Not a big lot of this so be quick—also fine assortment of better quality paper and envelopes at all prices. New styles 25c and 35c.

Pretty Laces.

White, butter and arabian color All-over Laces, in beautiful designs, from 75c to $4.00 yard.

Rich Laces, Galoons and Insertions to match—all widths.

Black Silk Galoons in full assortment of widths and prices.

Point 'de Sprite and Valencine Laces in great variety of widths and prices.

New Chiffon Galoons in black and cream—just opened.

DERR & LAMBERD, Westminster, Md.

JOHN D. BOWERS.

THE WHITE PALACE.

We are prepared in our different departments, now as well as before, but more so, as we have added many things which I think will please and induce the purchasers to get anything which they desire at the bottom prices for the best quality of goods, so as they can adorn their table in luxurious style. We have

OUR SODA FOUNTAIN OPEN NOW

and will give with every CASH PURCHASE OF ONE DOLLAR one Soda Ticket, which will entitle you to one glass of Soda Water, which will be very refreshing. Our prices in our STAPLE GROCERY DEPARTMENT WILL SURPRISE YOU, as we believe in turning our money over quick. This has been my experience for the last twenty years. We are ready to show you around our different departments and give you prices. We do not put prices in the papers, but will convince you when you call that our prices are the lowest.

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Certificate of inspection and fumigation given with each order.

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REPAIRING A SPECIALTY.

NEW WORK ONLY BUILT TO ORDER.

To save money give me a call and get my pries. ALL WORK GUARANTEED

On Green, near Liberty, Westminster, Md.

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COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

We, the undersigned, have this day formed a copartnership under the firm name of Reifsnider & Grimes for the Practice of Law.

All business intrusted to us will receive prompt and careful attention.

CHAS. T. REIFSNIDER, Jr.,
E. O. GRIMES, Jr.,

Dec. 21, 1899.

Office 232 East Main street,

dec23 tf Westminster, Md.

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Galvanized Fencing Wire at prices that have never been known in the trade.

Lead and Oil so cheap that anyone can afford to paint this season.

Ice is plenty. We have a large stock of the best make of Freezers and Refrigerators.

Don't you need Gasoline or Oil Stove for summer cooking? We have them; they are cheap.

Door and Window Screens of various styles.

A full line of first-class Cooking Stoves and Ranges, of long established reputation, at reduced prices.

A call will soon convince you that the bottom has been completely knocked out of the price of Nails.

Glass, Oils, Paints and Putty, Plastering, Hair and Cement, and in fact everything in the Building Hardware line can be found, as well as low prices, at the old established stand of

GILBERT & GEHR,
Corner Main and Liberty streets,
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Plumbing, Heating, Spouting, Tin Roofing is our specialty. feb 20

WM. A. McKELLIP,
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—AND—
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JUMBLED.

Among the many symptoms of eye defect none is more trying on that delicate organ, and none more alarming to those familiar with the eye and its ailments, than is that condition where objects become "jumbled" at close range. At times clear and distinct; again blurred and wavering. This is usually a condition brought about by long abuse; is a timely warning that the eyes have almost reached the limit of endurance.

Better call and let us tell you what the trouble is.

No charge for examination.

A. H. WENTZ,
Jeweler and Optician,

mar1 tf Westminster, Md.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the Personal Estate of

EDWARD S. KEENEY,

late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 1st day of October, 1902; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 24th day of February, 1902.

EDNA B. KEENEY,
mar1 4t Administratrix.

FOR SALE.

Desirable Dairy Farm, 160 Acres, fronting on Baltimore & Reisterstown pike, at Finksburg, 20 miles from Baltimore. Half-mile from W. Md. R. R. Station; strong slate land; crops well; well watered and good springs. Large house and good buildings. Terms easy.

G. H. FRAZIER,
mar1 5t* Finksburg, Md.

WANTED ---A Good Farm Hand, wit a small family; one that understands working horses and driving a team; house to live in; constant employment. Apply to

WM. DAVIS,
Marriottsville, Howard county, Md., Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. mar1 3t*

PUBLIC SALE OF A VALUABLE HOUSE and LOT

In Westminster, Maryland.

The undersigned, under a power of attorney from the heirs of the late Mary C. Mills, will sell at public sale on the premises, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd, 1902,

at 2 o'clock p. m., the HOUSE and LOT in the city of Westminster, corner of Centre and Green streets, of which the late Mary C. Mills died seized and possessed. The lot fronts 50 feet on Green street, running back on Centre street to an alley, 198 feet. The house is frame, partly incased with brick, contains five rooms, basement and cellar, and has city water. It has been recently repainted. Good fruit and fine garden. Excellent home for a small family, and nicely located.

Terms of Sale:—One-third cash on day of sale, one-third in six months and the other one-third in twelve months from day of sale; the credit payments to be secured to the satisfaction of the undersigned, with interest from day of sale; or all cash, at the option of the purchaser.

JOHN S. MILLS, Attorney.
Elias N. Davis, Auctioneer. march8 3t

NO. 3940 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Carroll County, sitting in Equity.

Charles E. Fink, Assignee of Mortgagee, vs. Eli F. Warner and Rebecca Warner, Mortgagors.

Ordered this 25th day of February, in the year, A. D. 1902, that the sale of the real estate made and reported in the above entitled cause by Charles E. Fink, Assignee of Mortgagee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 31st day of March, next; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in Carroll county once in each of three successive weeks before the 24th day of March, next.

The report states the amount of sale to be $1800.00.

JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA, Clerk.
True Copy,—Test:
mar1 3t Jas. H. Billingslea, Clerk.

NO. 3950 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Carroll County, in Equity.

Ex-parte. In the matter of the trust estate of John W. Holmes.

Ordered this 7th day of March, 1902, that the report of sales of property mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by Francis Neal Parke, Trustee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 7th day of April, 1902; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper published in Carroll county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 31st day of March, 1902.

The report states the amount of sales to be $2166.00.

JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA, Clerk.
True copy,—Test:
mar8 3t Jas. H. Billingslea, Clerk.

APPLICATION FOR DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE.

Notice is hereby given that on and after the 1st day of April, 1902, application will be made to the Westminster Water Company for the issue of a new certificate of stock in lieu of a certificate for two shares of stock in the company, now standing in the name of Henry S. Roberts, being Certificate No. 23, bearing date of August 13, 1895, which certificate has been lost or mislaid.

ELLA L. ROBERTS,
mar1-5t Executrix of Henry S. Roberts.

PUBLIC SALE.

The undersigned, intending to quit farming, will sell on the farm of Uriah Bixler, near Avondale Station, two miles west of Westminster, on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19th, 1902,

at 9 a. m. sharp, the following property:

5 horses, all good leaders, and 4 will work anywhere; 12 cows, some fresh by day of sale; bull, 4 shotes, 2 good 4 horse broadtread farm wagons, nearly new; 2 wagon beds, 2 hay carriages, binder, mower, hay fork, rope and pulleys, grain drill, new land roller, 5 furrow plows, large new Osborne harrow, Champion corn planter, improved Standard Ohio feed cutter, will cut 16 inches, with carrier; spring wagon, carriage, stick wagon, complete horsepower, 6 sets of harness, set of breechbands, bridles and halters, some new; check lines, wagon saddle, housands, new double set of carriage harness, buggy, log, cow, halter, butt and standard chains, 2 3-horse spreaders, single, double and triple trees, wind mill, forks, rakes, hoes, scoop shovels, clover seeder, lawn mower, 2 wheelbarrows, 25 milk cans, 6 coolers, buckets, crocks, pans, 100 barrels of corn, 60 bushels of potatoes, &c., set of blacksmith tools, consisting of anvil, blower, vise, drill press, hammers, tongs, &c. Also Household Goods, consisting of large cook stove and fixtures, bedsteads, washstands, bureaus, chairs, tables, stands, carpet, blinds, large coal stove, sewing machine, clock, earthen, tin, china and crockery ware, in fact everything in the house. One dozen home made brooms.

Terms.—All sums of and under $5, cash; on sums over $5 credit of 10 months will be given on note with approved security, bearing interest from day of sale.

N. CHARLES GRAYBILL.
mar1-3t* J. N. O. Smith, Auct.

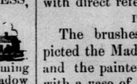
EXECUTORS' SALE OF A VALUABLE FARM,

At Denning's, Carroll County, Maryland.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in the last will and testament of Nelly Kelly, late of Carroll county, Maryland, deceased, and in pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Carroll County, the undersigned, executors named in said last will and testament, will offer at public sale, on the premises, on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19th, 1902,

at 1 o'clock, p. m., all that tract of land situated in Carroll county, Maryland, at Denning's, on the Old Liberty Road, containing 50 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS,



and improved by a large two-story Stone Dwelling, stable, granary and other necessary outbuildings. This farm is all under cultivation and is of excellent farming land. There is a due proportion of meadow and the tract is well watered, with a well at the door of the house. This property adjoins the lands of Joseph Stem, Bradford Greenwood and others; and is convenient to churches, schools and stores, with mail delivered at the door by the Rural Delivery. A survey of this property will be made before the day of sale, and the accurate quantity of land ascertained.

Terms of Sale.—One-third cash on the day of sale or on the ratification thereof by the Orphans' Court of Carroll County; and the remaining two-thirds in two equal payments of six and twelve months each; or all cash at at the option of the purchaser. The credit payments will bear interest from the day of sale, and will be secured by the notes of the purchasers with approved security.

HENRY DEMMITT,
ELHANAN A. HAINES,
Executors of Nelly Kelly, deceased.
Bond & Parke, Solicitors. feb22-ts

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE,

Near Denning's, Carroll County, State of Maryland.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll County, in Equity, passed in cause No. 3851 Equity, in said Court, wherein Elhannan A. Haines and others are complainants, and Thomas G. Haines and others are defendants, the undersigned, trustee appointed in said cause, to sell the land mentioned in the proceedings therein, will offer at public sale, on the premises, on

WEDNESDAY, 19th day of MARCH, 1902

at 2 o'clock, p. m., all that real estate situate at or near Denning's, Franklin district, Carroll county, Maryland, whereon the late Thomas G. Kelly resided, and died seized and possessed, consisting of

40 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS,

adjoining lands of Elhannan A. Haines, Bradford Greenwood and others.

Terms of Sale are:—One-third of the purchase money to be paid cash on the day of sale or upon the ratification of the sale by the Court; the balance in two equal payments of six and twelve months, secured to the satisfaction of the trustee, and bearing interest from day of sale; or all cash at the option of the purchaser.

ULYSSES K. HAINES,
Bond & Parke, Solicitors. Trustee.
Francis A. Crawford, Auct.

NOTICE.—This property will be surveyed before offering on day of sale, and quantity accurately announced on day of sale.

ULYSSES K. HAINES, Trustee.

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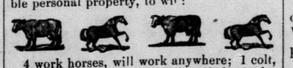
PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE PERSONAL PROPERTY,

Near the city of Westminster.

The subscriber, intending to quit farming and remove to Westminster, will sell at public sale, at his residence, about one half mile northeast of that place, on

TUESDAY, 18th DAY OF MARCH, 1902,

at 12 o'clock, M., sharp, the following valuable personal property, to wit:



4 work horses, will work anywhere; 1 colt, 3-years old this spring, broken to halter only; 17 good milch cows, 1 bull, 3 wagons, one 1 horse wagon, 1 spring wagon, 1 surrey with shafts and pole, 2 hay carriages, 1 cart and harness, one 2-horse sleigh, 2 Osborne binders, 7 foot cut; 1 Osborne mowing machine, 1 Bickford & Huffman grain drill, 1 Wagoner grain drill, 1 No. 13 Mammoth Tornado cutter, 1 hay cutter, 1 seed sower, 1 hand cutting box, 1 Manchester winnowing mill, 2 furrow plows, 1 riding plow, 2 single corn plows, 3 spring-tooth harrows, 1 with 20 teeth and 2 with 17 teeth; 1 Bowen corn grinding machine, hay fork, rope and pulleys, harness for work horses, set double harness for carriage, 2 log chains, fifth chains, 2 crowbars, 2 crosscut saws, anvil and vise, 1 copper kettle, 2 iron kettles, will hold 12 gallons each; sausage grinder and stuffer, lot of 5-gallon milk cans, with patent tops; 1 hogshead for salting meat, a lot of household and kitchen furniture, stoves, &c.

For particulars see hand bills.

THEO. F. ENGLAR.
Wm. T. Wilson, auct. J. Wesley Biggs
and Jas. M. Stoner, clerks. mar1 3t

VALUABLE SMALL FARM AT PUBLIC SALE.

On MARCH 17th, 1902, at 10 a. m., I will sell at public sale the farm on which I now reside, containing 25 ACRES, more or less. It has good buildings; water in the house and barn; good fencing, and a fine selection of choice fruit. This property is on the Gorsuch road, within one mile of Westminster, Md. It is one of the most desirable small farms in this neighborhood, and offers a fine opportunity to any one wishing to purchase a home.

Also two Woods Lots, adjoining the land of Lewis Green and others, one containing 6 acres, and the other 4 acres, 1 rood and 20 perches. Also a Wood Lot containing 4 acres, 3 roods and 30 perches, on the Manchester road, near Bish's mill.

Terms will be made known on the day of sale.

At 11 o'clock on the same day will be sold all my household property and farming utensils. WM. STRUTH.

mar1-ts P. A. Gorsuch, Auct.

GUY W. STEELE,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
No. 19 Court St., Westminster Md

Legends of the Lily.

From the Philadelphia Ledger.

Eastertide brings redolence of lilies. Everywhere their alabaster cencers wave, exhalant of perfume, which, indeed, bears to the throne of God the thoughts of man. Would our great Christian festival be as solemn, as rich in uplifting influence, as truly interpreted, if there were no lilies? To many a kneeling worshipper before holy altars they have been as angelic messengers.

These beautiful flowers have been associated with religious impulses from the time, 4000 years ago, when the Egyptian lotus, known also as the rose lily of the Nile, was held in high sanction by Egyptian priests, to the days when Julia Ward Howe wrote by inspiration, "In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea."

The lilies of the field which the Saviour used in illustration of His teaching were not, however, of the spotless hue from which we derive our impressions of purity and innocence. Their color was red, and they grew profusely upon the plain of Gennesaret, as indicated in the sixth of Matthew, yielding upon distillation a most fragrant juice. It is believed that Old Testament allusions to lilies included in that family the iris as well as the lotus. In modern times the flowers which impress the generality of travelers as being the "lilies of the field" alluded to by our Lord would be termed by Western peoples anemones, and these strew the turf in lavish profusion.

It is not difficult to sympathize with the devout imaginations which early in the Christian era associated the lily with the personality of the Virgin Mary. One of the traditions first originated narrates how the first lily sprang from a drop of milk, which fell to the ground while the infant Jesus was receiving nourishment. White flowers of many varieties were held sacred to the Virgin in loving hearts, but of all these two are most prominently connected with her, the lily and the rose. At a very early date roses, both red and white, were regarded as emblematic of the mother of Christ, "and were specially so recognized by St. Dominic," we read in Ibid, "when he instituted the devotion of the rosary with direct reference to her."

ITALIAN ART.

The brushes of mediæval artists depicted the Madonna with a lily in her hand, and the painters of Italy portrayed her with a vase of lilies at her side, three exquisite flowers supported on green stems. The large white lily with which we are familiar was here represented, "the pure white petals signifying her spotless body, and the golden anthers within typifying her soul, sparkling with divine light." In like manner other white blossoms were "considered typical of her purity and holiness, and consecrated to her festivals," and it was whispered that lilies of the valley were formed in the beginning from her tears.

At a later period in the history of art the lily, as especially appropriate to the Annunciation, was introduced into paintings depicting that wonderful event. Thus we may look upon the angel Gabriel bearing a cluster of lilies. In fact, as has been well observed in Folkard's "Plant Legends," "the life of Christ may be said to fling its shadow over the whole vegetable world." From that epoch the trees and flowers which had been associated with heathen rites and deities began to be connected with holier names, and not infrequently with the events of the Crucifixion itself.

But there are other associations with this most beautiful of all flowers, dating much further back than the earthly life of the lowly Nazarene, but full of beautiful imagery, as those which linked it with the Virgin.

THE BUDDHIST PRAYER.

The lotus, the sacred lily of the East, is the symbol of Buddha, who is said to have first appeared to his disciples, or those who were to become such, seated upon an opened blossom. He is not the only Eastern deity who is written of as having loved to repose on the rich petals of the flower, for the Chinese represent their god Pazza as reclining thus. So through the centuries devout Buddhists have worshipped the lotus; and the prayer, if we may so term what is merely an ejaculation, which the Thibetans print upon slips of paper and fasten to revolving cylinders in order that by a convenient mechanical process the attention of Buddha may be incessantly bespoken, consists only of the words, "Om mani padme hum!" or "Oh, the jewel in (or of) the lotus!"

Sir Edwin Arnold, in his poem "The Light of Asia," includes these lines:

"Ah, Lover! Brother! Guide! Lamp of the law!
I take my refuge in Thy name and Thee!
I take my refuge in Thy Law of Good!
I take my refuge in Thy Order! Om!
The dew is on the lotus. Rise, Great Sun,
And lift my leaf and mix me with the wave.
'Om mani padme hum,' the sunrise comes,
The dewdrop slips into the shining sea."

In Buddhistic China the lotus is prominent, of course, in art, poetry and folklore.

Hindu legends tell us that from the heart of a lotus blossom Brahma emerged. Sir William Jones's translation of a Hindu poem reads thus:

"A form cerulean fluttered o'er the deep;
Brightest of beings, greatest of the great,
Who, not as mortals steep
Their eyes in dewy sleep.
But heavenly pensive on the lotus lay
That blossomed at his touch and shed a golden ray.
Hail, primal blossom! Hail, empyreal gem!
Kemel or Pedma, or whate'er high name
Delight thee, say. What four formed goddess came,
With graceful stole and beamy diadem.
Forth from thy verdant stem!"

The name "Pedma" is Sanscrit for lotus.

FAVORITE FLOWER OF CECILIA.

The graceful mythology of the Greeks assigned the lily to a place among Juno's flowers, and wove the fancy, which no doubt survived in the tradition of the Virgin, that the first lily sprung from a drop of Juno's milk. The Greeks have always highly favored the flower, and now use it extensively in bridal wreaths.

According to legend, Solomon, the King whose name the Saviour coupled with mention of lilies, wore one as the principal adornment of his crown, because it typified love, charity, purity and innocence—a combination of virtues, which, as Taylor remarks in his "Storyology," did not exist in the character of the wisest man of his time, if not of all times. The Jews, says Taylor, anciently believed that the lily, or lotus, defined botanically as Lilium candidum, was a protection from enchantment; as such it is said to have been worn by Judith in a wreath when visiting Holofernes. Open lotus flowers appeared generally upon the capitals of buildings in Egypt.

Coming back to apostolic times, we may recall the fact that the "golden star lily" was known as St. Jerome's lily; at a later date chroniclers claimed it to have been the favorite flower of St. Cecilia, in despite of the popular belief assigning the rose that honor. It was said that an angel brought her each night a bouquet of roses fresh gathered in Paradise.

We are told that we must distinguish between the lotus, or sacred lily of the East, and that mentioned by Ulysses, and sung in the exquisite poetry of Tennyson.

"The mild eyed, melancholy lotus eaters came,
Branches they bore of that enchanted stem."

These Lotophagi, or lotus eaters, seem to belong essentially to the world of myth and poetry, of oblivion, of sensuous delight, but faith in the atmosphere of enchantment surrounding the lily, or lotus, survives, whether born of mythology or not. In certain countries, sufferers from cuts or wounds are recommended to bind on them the leaves of the lily.

THE LILY OF FRANCE.

Gerarde, the old herbalist, says: "The flowers of the lily of the valley, being close stopped up in a glass, put into an ant hill and taken away again in a month after, ye shall find a liquor in the glass, which, being outwardly applied, helpeth the gout." Experiments demonstrating this to be a fact are not, however, recorded. Grimm says that in Hesse certain lands were rented for the annual pay of a bunch of lilies of the valley, a custom supposed to have originated in religion. The Dominican and Cistercian Brotherhoods held the lily in high veneration.

German folklore stated that souls, when disembodied, take form as either the lily or white rose, and that one of these blossoms appears on the chair of a person soon to die. From the grave of one wrongfully executed, lilies arise, testifying innocence, and if a betrothed maiden dies, three lilies will spring over her grave, which no hands but those of her lover must gather.

Many suppositions have been advanced as to how the lily became the flower of France. One is that it was adopted by the Kings of France, because of its being the emblem of purity, and associated in sacred history with Solomon and Christ. Again, it is told that after a great battle during the Crusades, lilies were found to have covered the French banners as they lay upon the ground. "According to others," says Taylor, "the fleur-de-lys is merely a corruption of fleur, or Flour de Louis, and was not a lily at all, but a purple iris which Louis the Seventh adopted for his emblem on his departure for the Holy Land." Another unsatisfactory attempt at solution of the mystery is contained in the legend that "a shield of azure, bearing the device of three golden lilies, were presented by an angel to Clothilde, the wife of Clovis," and that consequently the lilly became the national flower of France, and has remained so ever since the reign of that monarch.

Salt and Pepper.

From the Chicago Tribune.

Salt and pepper, as generally considered, are of value in bringing out the flavor of the food to which they are added. That they have any value from a health standpoint is not so generally recognized. You may know that a lump of salt is good for a horse, but you do not stop to consider how important salt is for your own well being. In eastern countries the condiments, such as pepper, are used to profusion in all foods. Gastric troubles common enough in other countries are conspicuously absent, and the free use of pepper has much to do with that fact. Salt and pepper work against fermentation. When the stomach is out of order, or, as the common saying is, upset, it is in a state of fermentation.

A certain very wise physician who has advanced to the point where drugs seem the unimportant thing and common sense the important in making the sick well is advocating the use of pepper and salt even in a glass of milk. It improves the flavor to a remarkable degree, a fact you can prove to your own satisfaction by taking two glasses of milk, one in its original simplicity, the other changed by the addition of a pinch of salt and a dash of pepper, then sip a little of each. The chances are that you will prefer the seasoned milk. Besides improving the flavor and overcoming the tendency toward fermentation the pepper will practically disable any microbes that may be floating in the fluids. Thus the gastric juices will perform their perfect work of changing microbes to food.

One of the best remedies for a disturbed digestion is hot water to which have been added salt and paprika. If taken a full hour and a half before breakfast, a cupful of this very palatable drink will completely cleanse the stomach and leave it in good condition. Out of a hundred persons selected at random it is no exaggeration to say that eighty eat too much and also that these same eighty fail of proper mastication. Weakened digestions are of course the direct result of overeating and insufficient mastication, and weakened digestion means undermined systems. At the extremes of life, youth and old age, it is wisdom to make the diet much the same. A child's nourisment should be very simple, so in old age it should grow plainer and plainer.

Sources of "Kid" Gloves.

From the Chicago Record.

Barefooted boys and hens form a curious partnership in the making of a pair of fine gloves. Thousands of dozens of hens' eggs are used in curing the hides, and thousands of boys are employed to work the skins in clear water by treading on them for several hours. When a woman buys a pair of gloves she speaks of her purchase as "kids." If the clerk who sold her the "kid" gloves knew the secrets of the glovemaking business he might surprise his fair customer by telling her that those beautiful, soft, smooth fitting "kid" gloves came from the shoulders and belly of a three weeks old colt, whose neck was slit on the plains of Russia, and whose tender hide was shipped, with hughe bundles of colts' hides to France, where they were made up into "kid" gloves; or he might with equal regard to the truth tell her that those gloves in the other compartment once darted from tree to tree in South America on the back on a ring tailed monkey. And, if he made the rounds of the store and could distinguish one skin from another, he could point out "kid" gloves made from the skins of kangaroos from Australia, lambs or sheep from Ohio or Spain or England, calves from India, muskrats from anywhere, musk oxen from China and other parts of Asia, rats, cats and Newfoundland puppies. But the Russian colt, the four footed baby from the plains where the Cossacks live, the colt from the steppes of Siberia, where horses are raised by the thousand, supplies the skins which are the favorites at present with the glove makers. Experts say that the colt skin makes a better, stronger, finer glove than real kidskin.

But, after all, the real kid—the lively infant of the goats which live in France, Switzerland, Spain and Italy—furnishes the choicest and most expensive gloves, and nearly 10,000,000 kids are sacrificed every year that women and men may cramp their hands in smooth, delicate hued gloves.

Easter Superstitions.

From Philadelphia Record.

It would seem strange to attach the curious ceremonies and fate-tests of Hallow-e'en to the Easter season, and yet it has recently been announced that the prevailing fad for the coming Easter is the reviving of quaint superstitions of long ago for the benefit of the new century maiden who would test her fortune and insure good luck for the year. There are found to be a number of old superstitions attached to Easter day. Here are a few of the most popular:

EASTER WATER.

Easter water is the water that is taken from the river on Easter morning before the sun has risen. The person wishing to test its efficacy must rise while it is quite dark, walk to the river, fill her phial or pitcher and return home in perfect silence, and without looking back even once. She may then return to bed and finish the interrupted nap.

The water thus obtained, so runs the legend, will keep sweet throughout the year, and is considered invaluable as a remedy for diseases of the eye. Bathe your face with it every week and you will never have wrinkles. The dew gathered at sunrise from crocuses is also a preventive against wrinkles.

A LOVE CHARM.

If you stand silent and alone and watch the sun rise, fixing your eyes on the radience until dazzled, then close the eyes and say three times:

Beautiful sun! Oh! show to me
The face of my love that is to be.

then let imagination do the rest, you will see the face of your future husband.

OMEN AND PREDICTIONS.

If a small spider is found near you at any time on Easter day it will bring you luck and money the rest of the year.

If you shed tears on that day it foretells misfortunes and unhappiness of all kinds.

A present on Easter is a good omen. Always wear something new—a dress or a bonnet, if procurable; if not, some article worn next to the person.

Eat an apple on Easter morning as soon as you awaken, and repeat all the while:

"As Eve in her thirst for knowledge ate,
So I, too, thirst to know my fate."

Then count the seeds, and if they are of even number your sweetheart will prove true; if uneven, he will prove false.

Another test: Break an egg at midnight, carefully separating the yolk and white; pour the white into a cup and let it set until you rise in the morning. The particles will separate; examine them well, and if any letter has formed it will be the initial of your future husband's name.

EASTER FLOWERS.

This is all that could be found; only don't wear any flowers on Easter except jonquils and violets. Widows must wear violets always, but every one must wear a spray of green, no matter how tiny. It is doubtful whether any one will acknowledge belief in these quaint superstitions, but they prove an interesting list, and probably many will surreptiously follow them for their fate tests and luck charms, for, after all, superstition is not all dead in these twentieth century days.

The Cow.

From Outing.

We learn from sacred history and books of ancient writers that the cow, like the ox, originally was used solely for agricultural purposes, at least, for many hundred years, perhaps, before her milk was used as a product for household consumption. It is generally believed, also, that originally the cow, like the deer, buffalo, moose and elk, gave only sufficient milk to rear her young, from which we see what a wonderful degree of improvement has taken place, when a single animal is nowadays made to produce 100 pounds (50 quarts) of milk in a single day, or 100 pounds of butter in a month; or again, when a cow has averaged over her own weight in milk every month for a year. When we consider the original ancestry of these animals, these results are something marvelous.

Care, climatic influences, selection, mating and food has played the principal part in producing improvements. Man, by selecting and mating, has taking advantage of the variations produced by food, or the abnormal characteristics, and has gradually molded and fashioned an animal to suit his taste and ideals as to greater production, as well as greater beauty and symmetry of form.

Three-Weeks-Old Child Talks.

An alarm amounting among the more superstitious to almost a panic has spread at Harper, Kan., because of what are believed to be the prophetic inspired words of a five-weeks-old infant.

The child began talking at the age of three weeks. Its first attempt was made during its morning meal on February 20. Its words were clear and incisive and it has kept repeating them at irregular intervals during wakefulness ever since. They are: "Six years of famine in Kansas."

The sentence is taken by many to be a message from the Deity, to be disregarded by hearers at their peril. Already a number of the hundreds who have come and listened have gone home, packed up and are leaving the State, firm in the belief that a long drought is approaching.

The child shows unusual signs of intelligence, is well formed and of normal growth, but parrots the words like a phonograph. It can say nothing else. The father, John Shelby, is a laboring man.

Hundreds have travelled there and waited for hours to secure confirmation of the story from the baby's lips.

Miss Dohner's Visions.

MISHAWAKA, IND., March 9.—While in a trance for 30 hours Miss Myrtle Dohner, daughter of a farmer, says she experienced a transition from earth to heaven. In a statement given to the pastor of Zion's Church, she says she was first ushered into a heaven where Christ sat upon a throne in magnificent splendor, surrounded by hundreds of angels waving palms. There were also many others, all robed in spotless white, and myriads of children graced the scene. Christ beckoned unto her, and the entire populace of the brilliant realm sang praises to the Lord.

Next she was led into a different world. All was black and in a lake of fire Satan's subjects were writhing in pain and begging for mercy. Satan smiled in derision at the suffering ones and asked Miss Dohner to follow him, but a guide interposed.

Miss Dohner is one of 10 who passed into a trance at a revival meeting in Salem Church. While in this state she spoke the names of three persons, declaring they had just become Christians. The three joined the church at that hour, but the girl was four miles from the scene where the conversion was recorded.