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Care of the Refrigerator.

Care of the refrigerator is more important in the summer than keeping the refrigerator free from offensive odors. It should stand in a light, airy place, and be kept scrupulously clean. A good refrigerator will have her refrigerator cleaned at least once a week. This is accomplished in the morning, before the day comes.

The floor, ice and shelves should all be washed out; the shelves washed with water and soap, to which half a pound of aqua ammonia has been added; the floor thoroughly with a cloth, and if possible set it in the sun to dry. Next to the compartment, the walls and shelves of the refrigerator are thoroughly washed, wiped and dried. Then a rod run down the water pipe, and some of the ammonia water poured down into it; and last, the water underneath should be well washed and dried.

The refrigerator, if time allows, should be left open for an hour or so. The shelves, ice and food may then be put back. If this is done regularly once a week the refrigerator or ice-box will always be sweet and clean.

The cellar is generally used more or less for keeping food. It should, therefore, be frequently inspected, kept well-ventilated and well-aired, and, if possible, washed once or twice a year. A damp, damp and ill-ventilated cellar is dangerous to health.

Crop Bulletin.

COLUMBIA, MO., May 21, 1901.

The mean temperature of the past week differed but little from the normal and there was more than the average amount of sunshine. In a few northern counties light frosts on the 13th and 14th injured tender garden vegetables and some varieties of fruit. Good rains fell in the western and southwestern counties on the 16th and 17th, some localities receiving from 1½ to over 2 inches, but the remainder of the state the rainfall was generally too light to be of any material benefit and the drouth has become very serious. Local hail storms did some damage to fruit and crops in Cass and Lawrence counties.

Planting is being completed as early as possible, but in many counties no more ground can be prepared until a good rain has fallen. There is a complaint of uneven stands and a large part of the state corn that is making but little growth.

Where good rains have fallen the crop is doing nicely. Cultivation is becoming general and some fields in the southern counties have been plowed the second time. Cut worms, moles and mice are doing considerable damage in a few counties. Cotton, in the southeastern counties, is being well worked out and is generally doing fairly well, except in portions of Dunklin and Pemiscot counties, where there is complaint of poor stands owing to drouth and cool nights. Flax, in the southwestern counties, is generally in poor condition.

In most of the northern and west-central counties wheat still promises a heavy yield, but in many of the central and southern counties the crop has been shortened by the drouth, in some districts from one-fourth to one-third. Considerable further damage has also been done by insects in a number of southwestern counties, and rust is reported in a few localities. Oats are still doing well in most of the northwestern and a few of the west-central counties, but elsewhere they have suffered from the drouth to a greater or less extent. In many of the eastern and southern counties the crop has been greatly damaged, and in some localities practically ruined. Considerable damage by insects is also reported in a few counties. In a number of the western counties meadows are making good growth, but over much of the state the outlook for the hay crop is discouraging. In some counties considerable young clover and timothy has died.

Worms are doing much damage to orchards in the central and northern sections, and there is complaint that apples have not set well or are dropping. In a number of the principal strawberry producing counties that crop has been greatly shortened by the drouth. Peaches still promise a good crop, as a rule. Except where good rains have fallen gardens are generally making slow growth, and in many of the southeastern counties potatoes are being seriously injured by the dry weather.

A. E. HACKER,
Section Director.

In the class day exercises of the senior class of the Wichita High School rotten cabbages and a class fight on the stage between the seniors and juniors were the most prominent features of the exercises though they were not down on the programme.

In Memoriam.

It is a sad and grievous theme that employs my pen when I write of the death of "Little Charlie Wallace," as he was familiarly called. For more than fifty years, excepting only the time he was absent during the civil war, he has been our constant associate, having with that exception, lived in Lexington and its immediate vicinity since 1844.

Others will tell the usual particulars of parentage, and birth, and death, with their dates in due order, I prefer to write more particularly of the man as he was in character, and of this I must only speak in very small part.

He was short in stature and slight in build, but within his small body there was a great soul; not discovering itself in great achievements as they are commonly estimated, not in ambitious schemes, not in grandly expressed sentiments nor lofty pretensions, but in a steadfast, immovable, patient perseverance in the path of duty.

Al! it is easy to do grand things when opportunity offers and the world is looking on and applauding. Under such a stimulus life itself becomes cheap, and is freely given; but it is the little things of life that try men most, the constant girding of the loins in a struggle that has no promise of an end, the standing with cheerful front toward a sea of difficulties whose innumerable waves keep rushing on with eternal continuance. To stand thus undaunted, unshaken and uncomplaining calls for more than the courage of the charging knight, or the adventurous hero seeking after fame.

And in this patient endurance and cheerful facing of every duty, Charlie Wallace lived his life. Not that his troubles or trials were greater than yours or mine or many others perhaps, but that whatever they were, he met them so patiently, so bravely, so cheerfully. To such a man there never comes defeat. Death itself is swallowed up in victory, and Charlie met death as he had met all other things that came in his way, without fear or shrinking, with a brave and steadfast front. And in his abiding Christian faith he made this conqueror of us all his servant to bear him away to the better land. But it must not be supposed that because he was possessed of such patient courage in meeting the tedious trials of a struggling life, that he was lacking in those qualities which make a man a hero in the common opinion of men. For more than four years he was a soldier. He enlisted in the Confederate army in June, 1861, having been in the State Guard for over a month before that time, and served faithfully as a gun-sergeant in Hy Bledsoe's battery until its surrender sometime in July, 1865. In all of that time he missed but one battle (Lexington). At that time he was at Springfield waiting upon his brother who was sick nigh unto death with camp fever. The record of the other battles is Carthage, Wilson Creek, Pea Ridge, Iuka, Corinth, Port Hudson, Raymond, Jackson, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Resacca, Last Mountain, Kennesaw Mountain, Peach Tree Creek, the hundred days fight around Atlanta, where he was under fire every day for one hundred days, Jonesboro, Franklin, Nashville and the terrible retreat therefrom, and many other engagements too small to be called battles, but where shot and shell were just as destructive to those engaged. In all of these Charlie Wallace took no unimportant part and bore himself there just as bravely, and faithfully, and cheerfully, and conscientiously as he did about his civil and domestic duties here at home. There was none braver nor more true than he, none more reliable, always at his post, always ready, always hopeful and full of enthusiasm. "Little Griffith, of Tennessee" himself with all his heroic devotion did not outrank our "Little Charlie Wallace" of Missouri.

At last his name has been reached in

the great roll call and he has gone to answer. The line of his old comrades is getting thinner and thinner as one by one they drop out here to answer there. Many have preceded him and the rest of us must soon follow. We mourn him now, we will join him soon; but when all are there I doubt if there will be found one whose record for fidelity to duty will show up better than that of "Little Charlie Wallace." Y.

Condensed News.

The population of Ireland shows a decrease of 5.3 per cent. during the last decade.

Ex-Congressman Charles A. Bontelle died Tuesday at the McLean asylum for insane at Waverly, Mass.

A registered package containing \$8,000 was lost in the mails recently between Kansas City and Great Bend, Kansas.

A man by the name of Voss proposes to make the trip from Victoria, British Columbia to Paris in an Indian war canoe.

Moberly, Mo., has been enjoying this week her fifth annual Sangerfest. Large crowds of visitors and good music are the features of the Sangerfest.

Mrs. Adna R. Chaffee, wife of General Chaffee who has been staying in Kansas City, has gone to San Francisco and from there she will sail June 1st to join her husband in the Philippines.

William Newkirk, near Mexico, Mo. killed a shepherd dog belonging to a Mrs. Jesse White and the court gave Mrs. White \$150 damages which with the costs amounted to \$309.

The case of Kansas City against Mrs. Baird, the noted Kansas City Christian Science healer, was on last Tuesday transferred by Judge Gantt in the supreme court to the Kansas City court of appeals, and Mrs. Baird by this action fails to get a hearing before the supreme court.

William M. Springer in behalf of the Indians who are opposed to the opening of the Kiowa reservation, is now taking legal steps to prevent the opening and it is possible that his action may cause a tedious delay to those who are expecting to secure homes in the reservation.

Tuesday was a record breaking day in hog receipts in Kansas City. The best previous record was made in July, 1890, when 26,408 hogs were received. Tuesday's receipts were 29,365 which was 2,500 greater than the number received in Chicago, and it is the first time in the history of the Kansas City market that it has exceeded Chicago's receipts by any such number.

J. Pierpont Morgan has bought the valuable art collection gathered together during the last twenty-three years by M. Maanheim of Paris. Owing to the custom duties levied by United States Mr. Morgan will send his collection to South Kensington museum, London, where they will remain until they can clear the United States customs without too heavy an imposition.

Concordia.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Weinrich were the guests of Lexington friends last Sunday.

The Lutheran St. Paul congregation will give a picnic in Uphaus park next Wednesday.

The census of the school children of this town shows boys, 171 and girls, 177, a total of 348.

Messrs. Lohoefer and Brackman attended the Bankers' association at St. Joe, Mo., this week.

Died, in this city, Monday morning, May 20, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Peters.

Mr. Joseph Schall and his son, Joel F. Schall, went to Kansas City Tuesday with a trail load of cattle and hogs shipped out by Mr. Wat Aull and others.

County Board of Education Meets.

At a meeting held in Higginville, Saturday, May 18, the County Board of Education decided that the next teachers' institute be held in the Lexington High School building, beginning Monday, June 10, to continue ten days.

Every teacher in Lafayette county is expected to attend and become a member of the institute. The new law makes it the duty of every teacher to attend the institute. It says: (Section 9960) "It shall be the duty of every teacher to attend all institutes held in the county unless he is absent attending school at the time the institute is held."

The board also decided that an institute fee of \$1.50 be charged, and that certificates from other counties will not be endorsed unless accompanied by a fee of \$1.50 and a statement from the applicant's county board of education showing that Sec. 9960 has been complied with. The first regular examination will be held in Lexington, Friday and Saturday, June 21 and 22.

The law does not contemplate the renewal of certificates now in force, and therefore, grades made in summer schools prior to 1901 will not be accepted in lieu of examinations.

JOS. KUEKIS,
County School Commissioner.

Happy Hour Club.

The Happy Hour club, of Higginville, was invited to take supper Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vivion, of our city, who still retain their membership in the club. The following are the members of the club: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Downing, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Downing, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rohring, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Rinehardt, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Belt, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wilkes, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hutcheson, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lake, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Land, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Walker, Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Carter and Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Webb, all of Higginville. Other members of the club are Dr. and Mrs. B. S. Reilly, of Carrollton, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Boyer, of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Neal, of Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Keyton, of Joplin, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Vermillion, of Bloomington, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Strong, of Topeka, Kas.

SECOND CLASS NOW.

Commencing July 1st our postoffice becomes a second instead of a third class office and the salary of the postmaster is increased \$100 per year, making it \$2,000. This is a good showing for the town and is evidence that people who think Lexington is retrograding are not posted as to the true condition of business here. The postoffice is to some extent the business pulse, and it is only by an actual showing of an increase of business in the postoffice that it can get the advance. Let everybody talk up the town and its advantages and use every effort to bring people here to do their trading and we will soon have free delivery of mails.

Jim Hicklin Escapes.

Sheriff Oscar Thomas has just received a letter from the Superintendent of the state lunatic asylum at Fulton notifying him that James Hicklin, the negro who shot Mr. Tom Smith some time last fall, made his escape from the asylum last Wednesday. Hicklin was sent from this county to the penitentiary for the crime of assault without malice and was later adjudged insane and sent to the asylum at Fulton. The letter requests Sheriff Thomas to arrest Hicklin and return him to that institution if he appears in Lafayette county.

Reunion and Banquet.

There will be a reunion and banquet of Baptist college alumnae next Monday night. This is the first meeting for three years. A number of invitations have been sent out to past students of the college and there will be many here from a distance. A good time is expected. The annual business meeting of the alumnae will be held on Tuesday afternoon.

Clintkenbeard-Peddicord.

Friends of the interested parties have received the following invitations: "Mr. and Mrs. James Peddicord announce the marriage of their daughter, Clara May, to Mr. Fagan J. Clintkenbeard, Thursday, May the twenty-third, nineteen hundred and one, Windsor, Missouri." The young couple will be at home to their friends after June the fourth, at Hereford, Texas.