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# CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

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THE CENTAUR COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY.

### C. P. MOSS KILLS HIMSELF AT NEW ORLEANS.

C. P. Moss, manufacturer of a famous tabasco sauce, at New Iberia, La., committed suicide in his room on the seventh floor of the Cosmopolitan Hotel shortly before 8 o'clock Wednesday morning by shooting himself in the head with a 38-caliber revolver.

Although in a note addressed to James Lynch, proprietor of the hotel, he expressed a wish that his letter, written to his wife before committing his act, should be made public so that the people should not be "kept guessing" as to the cause, the suicide says nothing in that letter that might suggest a reason for his act except that there is "too much hypocrisy" in the world.

Perhaps one of the oldest requests made by a person contemplating suicide, is contained in a paragraph in the letter Moss addressed to his wife. In it, he expressed a wish that a stone slab, heart-shaped and designating the trade mark of his sauce patent, be placed on his tomb.

Laurent Rodeillet, the house detective, heard the shot and calling Frank Roques, the night clerk, they used a pass key to open the door of the room. They found Mr. Moss lying across his bed with a bullet wound in his left temple and the smoking revolver still clutched in the fingers of his right hand.

On a table near the bed were

found the note addressed to Mr. Lynch and the letter to his wife. For some time before Mr. Moss shot himself to death, it was learned his wife, at New Iberia, was trying to reach him over long distance.

The night clerk, believing Mr. Moss asleep when he failed to answer the telephone call in his room requested long distance operator to ring later. The suicide evidently was writing the letters to Mr. Lynch and his wife when the long distance calls came in and did not bother to answer the telephone.

The note to Mr. Lynch read: "Advise Dr. Swords and ask him to confer with my wife."

My Dear Mr. Lynch—I am sorry for any trouble this may cause you. Please phone my wife at New Iberia and do what you can to assist on this end. Any expense incurred or damage done will be promptly paid. I wish you would give the press copy of my letter to Mrs. Moss so that the public will not have to do any guessing.

Gratefully yours,  
C. P. MOSS.

I am an Elk.

The letter left by the suicide and addressed to his wife reads: "I simply quit."

Mrs. C. P. Moss, New Iberia, La., My Dear "Pug"—I have learned to know, this world of hypocrisy so well, that I do not care to continue to live in it. I hate to do this on account of you and our boys, but life on this

planet has grown intolerable to me.

As you are familiar with every detail of our business and eminently qualified to handle things you are to make such business or other investments as in your judgment seems best in the future.

I have no fear for the future of my soul because I know that I am a better man at heart and in fact than 90 per cent of them are, and I do not believe that over 20 per cent of them are going to the worse place in the hereafter. It is my one wish that our two boys stick together through this life and if practicable that you always be near, if not with them. I leave all the love I possess with you and our boys and may God be with you all. Good-bye.

(Signed) Your Old Topsy.

Note—I wish my corpse to be interred in the Catholic cemetery fronting the Railroad at New Iberia and I want our "Green Heart," to which I devoted years of my best energies, to be conspicuously displayed on my tomb—preferably made of stone—a stone slab.

P. S.—When in need of advice, confer with Rannie and in the event of the successful developments of your patents, reward him generously.

Mr. Moss' suicide recalls the celebrated legal battle that was waged between the Mosses and Mellhennys, from Louisiana to Washington and back again, through a series of years, which for which they paid a large sum, finally resulted in forcing the Mellhennys into buying out the tabasco end of the Moss business one of the rumors at the time placing the figure well up to the quarter-million mark.

This battle over the word "Tabasco" was a sensation in Washington, John A. Mellhenny, United States civil service commissioner, appointed by Roosevelt, is one of the brothers who developed the tabasco plant in Iberia and adopted the words "Tabasco Sauce" as their trade mark. Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Moss also began producing green heart tabasco plants and manufactured the sauce product. The Mellhennys brought suit against the Mosses charging infringement of patent rights. Mrs. Moss never gave up and carried the fight to the patent office in Washington where she endeavored to prove that the Mellhenny had no exclusive right to the label.

It was charged that "Tabasco" was geographical and therefore could not prove that a State in Mexico was named Tabasco. It was a clever point and won.

Then the Mellhennys fell back on the point that after a trade mark is used for 30 years that it becomes fixed as an asset of the concern using it. Attorneys for the Mellhenny brothers made affidavit to this effect in Washington. The Mosses attacked these affidavits, charging false statements. Appeal was made to the President of the United States demanding the moral of Civil Service Commissioner Mellhenny on the ground that he had sworn to a false statement. But he was



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## Sloan's Liniment

KILLS PAIN

not removed.

C. P. Moss and his wife then entered suit against the Mellhennys for damages to their business and secured a judgment in the Louisiana courts for some \$5,000. The contest continued and as a finality the Mellhenny company purchased the tabasco end of the Moss business, thereby establishing their unqualified right to the sale of Tabasco Sauce.

The Moss company, however, continued raising peppers and pickling them by the barrel. They sold carload lots to large wholesale houses all over the country. This was the business being conducted at New Iberia when Mr. Moss ended his life. It is said they were making a fortune out of pickled peppers.—Daily States.

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Time it! In five minutes all stomach distress will go. No indigestion, heartburn, sourness or belching of gas, acid, or eructations of undigested food, no dizziness, bloating, foul breath or headache.

Pape's Diapepsin is noted for its speed in regulating upset stomachs. It is the surest, quickest stomach remedy in the whole world and besides it is harmless. Put an end to stomach trouble forever by getting a large fifty-cent case of Pape's Diapepsin from any drug store. You realize in five minutes how needless it is to suffer from indigestion, dyspepsia or any stomach disorder. It's the quickest, surest and most harmless stomach doctor in the world.

### NEW IBERIA BOY KILLED.

An unfortunate death was the sad fate of young Saline Solomon, a native of New Iberia who was murdered by some negro robbers at Lafayette on Sunday morning, Jan. 7th, several hours before daylight. Solomon was shot in the back with a 41 Colts revolver while in the act of trying to run down the thieves who had committed several robberies in that town that night and had attempted to enter the place where he was sleeping. The remains of the young man were brought here for interment the next day. After the crime was committed several negroes were arrested and on one of them a weapon was found. The negroes claimed they had not fired the shot, but sufficient evidence was produced to cause the officials to hold them for the murder. On yesterday morning upon order of Judge Campbell of the District Court of that Parish and permission from our local health officials the remains were exhumed and an autopsy held by the Coroner of that Parish with a view of finding the bullet that caused the death. The investigation resulted in the bullet being found and it proved to be a bullet of the nickel coated variety of 38 calibre, while the revolver carried by the accused murderers was of a different make and now there is a doubt expressed as to the guilt of the two negroes that were arrested for the crime.

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### GENERAL DUDLEY AVERY.

On Thursday morning word came to New Iberia of the death of General Dudley Avery at 7:00 o'clock at his home on Avery Island after a lingering illness. The General had reached his 74th year and even in his declining years was actively engaged in looking after his large estate. Deceased was one of the most prominent citizens of our Parish and represented this District for many years as our State Senator, President of the Police Jury and also filled other important positions of trust and honor which endeared him to the people of this Parish, and his native State. During the Civil War he served as Captain of a Company and won much distinction for bravery and upright-conscience. His funeral will be conducted at the Island this afternoon at five o'clock to enable relatives from different parts of the United States to be present at the obsequies. He leaves to mourn his demise two sons, Messrs. Daniel D. and John Leeds Avery, a daughter, Mrs. Joseph Still Clark, a resident of Pennsylvania and two sisters, Mrs. Paul B. Leeds of Avery Island and Mrs. Preston Johnson of New Orleans.

Dudley Avery was the son of Daniel D. Avery and was born almost on the same spot where he died. He was reared in that locality and educated in the schools of Iberia parish. He then went to Princeton College and was a Sophomore when the civil war broke out. He left college, hastened back to Louisiana and entered the service of the Confederate army.

He was seriously wounded in the battle of Shiloh and was in the hospital some time. Upon returning to his command, he was assigned on the staff of General Mouton, who was afterwards killed in the battle of Mansfield. Mr. Avery also fought at Mansfield.

### Fought by Side of Gen. Beauregard.

The equestrian statue of Gen. P. G. T. Beauregard at the Esplanade avenue entrance to City Park was patterned after a description of the famous Confederate leader written by Gen. Avery. Gen. Avery knew Gen. Beauregard intimately, having fought beside him in several important civil war engagements.

After the war he again took up his residence on the island. Salt had been discovered on Avery Island long before that, however. This mine was the chief source of supply of the Confederate States during the war. His brother, John M. Avery, was the actual discoverer of salt on the island, and it was later developed into a great commercial enterprise. The Aveyts are also large

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planters in Iberia Parish. In the early nineties Gen. Avery became prominent in state politics and at one time was prominently mentioned for Governor.

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### THE FRANCHISE.

The petition of Messrs. P. R. Burke, E. T. Weeks and V. J. Smith asking the taxpayers and voters of this Parish to grant them a franchise on all gas and oil, for illuminating and other purposes, for the City of New Iberia, is an unjust request, in every respect. To give a franchise to these individuals who could, and would, sell their rights to outside capitalists, thereby reaping a harvest for themselves and these purchasers to steal in and furnish gas to the City and be the only ones benefited (together with the above mentioned ones) by the discovery of oil and gas, is more than unfair to our people.

Why not let every citizen come in for a share in this proposition? It is due them and they stand by their rights and opportunity to benefit them.

If these gentlemen were making personal sacrifices or intended to finance their proposition, it would be a different matter entirely, but they are not. The one-sidedness of the proposition is too evident to receive the good will of our thinking people.

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