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## There's a Lot of Satisfaction

In wearing our High Grade Shoes, because we know that every pair we sell means another customer pleased.



We are absolutely certain that in FIT STYLE and QUALITY they cannot be excelled.

Don't you think such confidence is worth investigation.

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J. M. KARSCH SHOE COMPANY,

Cash Shoe Dealers, Farmington, Mo.

### Postage Stamps of 1902.

As soon as the die proof of the first of the new series of United States postage stamps is approved by the Postmaster General plates will be made and the stamp issued to the public. Its denomination is 13 cents; Benjamin Harrison occupies the center of the field.

This will be the first 13-cent stamp ever issued by the United States. Up to 1879 a stamp of the value of 7 cents had been in use 10 years, but was discontinued when the rate of foreign postage was reduced to 5 cents. The new Harrison stamp will be little used in domestic mails. Its issuance is the outgrowth of the increased foreign registration service, covering as it will the postage and registration fee upon a letter weighing one-half ounce anywhere within the limits of the postal union, which now includes practically all the organized nations of the world.

Stamp experts who have examined the drawing for the new stamp say it will be one of the finest specimens of a postage stamp ever produced, not excepting the famous Columbian series and the Pan-American set. In addition to the usual "United States of America" and "Postage Thirteen Cents," the inscription "Series of 1902," together with "Harrison" and figures giving the date of birth and death, appear upon the design. The portrait was selected by Mrs. Harrison and is said to have been the late President's favorite.

When the Postoffice Department ordered this new series it requested the Treasury to make special efforts to provide stamps that should be not only distinctive but, indicative of the progress in the engraving art in which the United States has become famous. The bureau of engraving and printing has entered into the spirit of the occasion and will produce the best work of which it is capable. After the 13-cent stamp will come the new 4-cent. This will not continue to bear the familiar features of President Lincoln, but those of Gen. Grant. These two Presidents change places; Grant appears on the 4 and Lincoln will later have a place on the 5. There will be something of a shaking-up in the postal gallery of notables when this new series is completed. Commodore Perry, who has for a score of years occupied the central oval on the \$1 stamp—rarely seen by the general public—is to be superseded by Admiral Farragut. Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman, who for many years has figured on the 8-cent stamp, disappears entirely from the series. His place will be taken upon the stamp of that denomination by Martha Washington.

It has been supposed by some persons that Martha Washington was the first woman honored with a position upon a United States postage stamp. It is recalled, however, that the Columbian series issued in commemoration of the world's fair, contained a portrait of Queen Isabella of Spain, appearing beside that of Christopher Columbus, on the \$4 denomination. Gen. Sherman, while he disappears from the stamp series, is not wholly forgotten. He succeeds to the place now held by Gen. Grant on the return postal card.

The entire new series will probably be on sale before the close of the present year. They will appear one at a time as the dies are approved and the plates made. It is customary to change a series of postage stamps every eight or ten years. The present set has performed service continuously for twelve years, however. It is notable that with all the changes and shiftings of these honors, there is one sturdy figure who occupies the same place on our postage stamps that he did forty-one years ago, when our first regular series was issued, and that is Benjamin Franklin, the founder, almost, of the American postoffice.

Through thick and thin Franklin has never been disturbed in his occupancy of the 1-cent stamp, and should we come to penny postage, which is obviously but a question of time, the issue would arise whether Franklin should continue in his place, or whether it should go to the much-neglected Washington, whose relation to the postal establishment was much more remote. Washington has thus far been nearly as undisturbed as Franklin in occupying the popular stamp. In the series of 1869, better known as the "locomotive" set, from the primitive, wood-burning locomotive. However, Washington was displaced by the locomotive appearing instead on the 6-cent stamp. In 1871, when the "locomotive" series was abandoned he returned to the 3-cent stamp, where he remained until 1880, when the unit of domestic postage was changed to 2 cents.

When the 13-cent stamp is issued there will have been but three eligible ex-Presidents who have not been honored with a place in the postal gallery of the nation during the last forty years—Johnson, Hayes and Arthur. No living ex-President is, of course, eligible. President McKinley's portrait now appears on the new postal cards. It is understood that later a change will be made and his likeness placed on one of the principal denominations of postage stamps.

It is. If you are getting lazy, read James. If your faith is below par, read Paul. If you are impatient, sit down quietly and have a talk with Job. If you are just a little strong-headed, go and see Moses. If you are getting weak-kneed, take a look at Elijah. If there is a song in your heart, listen to David. If you are getting sardid, spend a while with Isaiah. If you feel chilly, get the beloved disciple to put his arm around you. If you are getting discouraged about your work, read palm xxvii and Gal. vi, 7-9. If you are losing sight of the future climb up to Revelation, and get a glimpse of the promised land. If you are out of sorts, read Hebrews xii. If you are down with the blues, read psalm xxviii. If people pelt you with hard words, read John xv. If you feel lonesome and unprotected, read psalm xvi. If you find yourself losing confidence in men, read I. Cor. xiii. If there is a chilly sensation about the heart, read Revelation iii. If you don't know where to look for the month's rent, read psalm xxxvii. If the stove pipe has fallen down, and the cook gone off in a pet, put up the pipe, wash your hands, and read James iii.—The Methodist Churchman.

## LIFE'S SPICE.

"Variety is the spice of life."  
BY S. MCK. F.

The following paragraphs had already been written when I found there was an editorial on the same subject in THE TIMES of last week. That's all right; it only emphasizes the matter, and as I consider the subject very important a repetition doesn't matter.

Funny, the vagaries about spelling girls' names! Last year all manner of changes were rung in "Catherine," always with a "K" and always with a "y" instead of an "i," while sometimes two of the former letters were rung in, as "Kathyrine." This year it is announced that the good old-fashioned Catherine will be used entirely. I wonder if the Harriets of old would have recognized the name as I saw it last week—"Harryette!"

Speaking of spelling brings me to one of my numerous hobbies. Just at this season of the year and at the close of the school year there is an epidemic of protest against the bad spelling of the majority of students. I am told that among the many fads indulged in by some of the educators is the one that spelling may be learned in the reading lesson and all through the other lessons, but I protest against that theory. I concede the wisdom of progress, but there's no book like the old-fashioned blue-back spelling book, that begins with the a's and the e's, study, lady, up to the great jawbreakers. I haven't seen that book for twenty years, but I can now see with my eyes shut that procession of words on the right hand of the page. I am glad to see this subject attracting the attention of wise-teachers. A test was recently made in one of the State Normal schools with a list of one hundred and fifty words of the kind of those who were annoyed by this kind of conduct. I quote from Sam Jones in conclusion: "Throw a rock into a ten-acre lot full of dogs, and the bit dog will go off yelping." My dear girls and boys, don't make your parents ashamed of your conduct in public.

Twenty Years Ago  
IN ST. FRANCOIS COUNTY.

Hon. F. M. Carter was elected Representative.

John E. Clardy, Sr., of Libertyville was quite sick.

W. P. Overall of DeLassans died and was buried at Libertyville.

The Democratic majorities of the county ranged from 600 to 800.

John Ginsing & Bro. bought the Farmington mills from S. S. Boyce & Co.

A nine-pound beet was the donation of Mr. W. P. Blarks of Libertyville.

Mr. J. B. Keith sent us a new variety of Irish potatoes called the "California Reds."

Government Architect J. T. Harris and family visited his uncle Mr. Fred Corman.

Montifumina Spring near Bismarck was a prospective watering place and health resort.

Misses Birdie Taylor and Susie Cayce presented the editor with a basket of large fall apples.

Rev. J. F. Rudy fell from his horse and the animal stepped on his breast, hurting him quite seriously.

Mr. T. B. Whitworth of Bismarck renewed his subscription to THE TIMES. He is still a reader of this paper.

Pendleton township went Democratic for the first time since the civil war. It has gone back to its wallowing in the mire.

Mrs. C. C. Evans returned from Jefferson county, whither she had been called by the death of her sister, Miss Kate McCormick.

The following named ministers of the Gospel held forth in Farmington: Rev. J. W. Johnson, Methodist Episcopal Church, South; Rev. Wm. Bell, Methodist Episcopal; Rev. J. A. Creighton, Presbyterian; Elder J. R. Watson, Christian; Rev. J. G. Hardy, Baptist; Rev. M. C. Walsh, Catholic; Rev. U. Eben, Lutheran.

Ex-Senator Jewitt of St. Louis is ninety-four years old. Some one asked him not long ago how old he thought a man should be before retiring from business. The old gentleman gravely responded: "I don't really think a man should keep on after he has reached the age of ninety."

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Beneficial Effects of Great Expositions More than Counterbalance Financial Sacrifices.

St. Louis, Nov. 8.—The Buffalo Review of October 31 prints a list of over eighty notable additions to the industrial establishments of the city of Buffalo within the past 18 months, more than half of them since the beginning of the current year. The list includes many large additions to the plants and capital of existing establishments, doubling or tripling their number of employees and their output capacity. It includes new branch manufacturing establishments in Buffalo by numerous concerns of other cities, and also a surprisingly large number of entirely new Buffalo enterprises and plants, covering all sorts of manufactures—iron, steel, glass, brass and copper, wood work, silk and other textile factories, electric vehicle plants, one with a capacity of 1,500 automobiles, and many others. The total value of the new additions is \$12,000,000 per annum, shoe manufactures, brush factories, enameled ware and sheet metal works, etc., some of them rated high up in the millions of working capital.

The marvelous growth of Chicago since her Columbian exposition of 1893 is known to all men, and so are the misfortunes and financial failure of Buffalo's Pan-American exposition. This failure is popularly supposed to have left her business community impoverished and burdened with a heavy debt. It is true that depression, but, on the contrary, Buffalo is glorying over an era of industrial expansion and commercial prosperity without a parallel in her previous history, and her journals boast that she is rapidly becoming one of the leading industrial centers of the American union.

## MICHIGAN TOWNS SHOCKED.

Residents Alarmed by the Hoarding of Houses and Rattling of Windows as if by Earthquake.

Houghton, Mich., Nov. 8.—Residents of Hancock and Houghton were greatly alarmed, Friday night, by a terrific shock which occurred at 8:40 o'clock. Houses were rocked and windows rattled as if an earthquake had occurred. Investigation in all directions failed to discover the cause of the shock. This is the second occurrence of shocks within three months.

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Why exploit the recent surgical operations of sewing up a human heart? What the old saw is more than fall in the opening up of human hearts.—The Commoner.

## FIRE DELIVERY SERVICE.

Estimate of What a Complete Rural Free Delivery Service Will Cost the Country.

Washington, Nov. 8.—The annual gross cost of a complete rural free delivery service throughout the United States will approximate \$24,000,000, according to the annual report which First Assistant Postmaster-General Wynne received from August W. Machen, the general superintendent of the service. The remaining 700,000 square miles not now covered by rural free delivery, according to the report, will require the employment of 25,000 or 27,000 carriers in addition to those now employed, making the entire force of carriers when the extension of the service is completed, within the next three years, 49,000. After this extension is completed the annual rate of increase in the appropriations is expected not to exceed eight or nine percent, the rate maintained in other branches of the postal service. To extend the service 12,000 routes a year until it becomes universal, the report says, will require such increased appropriations that the annual post office deficits for the ensuing two or three years will probably reach \$60,000,000 or \$100,000,000, if not more; but once the service is completed the additional revenue derived will soon reduce the deficits to present figures, if not entirely wipe them out.

## The Service in Demand.

During the year 1902, 12,401 petitions for the service were filed, making a total on July 1, last, of 22,846, which exceeded by over 2,000 the total number during the preceding four years. Since July petitions received have averaged over 500 a month. With the amount required for routes to begin December 1 the entire appropriation has been absorbed, leaving on December 1, fully 1,700 routes for which there is no appropriation available. This number probably will be increased by January 1 to at least 2,500. Mr. Wynne said Mr. Machen says that to comply with the demands of the people and of members of congress, the department will require an additional appropriation, otherwise further establishment of service will be deferred until July 1 next. If the additional funds are granted 12,000 rural free delivery