

CABOT

Mrs. Nellie English of Massachusetts was in town last week calling on old friends. During the thunder shower last Thursday, lightning struck the barn of Ben Gambelin, tearing off some shingles. No fire was started. Mrs. Flora Clark of Barre has been a guest at Mrs. C. F. Mack's the past week. Dean Fisher of New York was called here last week to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. L. C. Fisher. Next Sunday morning the annual old home week sermon will be delivered in the Congregational church by Rev. M. W. Hale. Everybody cordially invited. All singers, old and young, are invited to occupy the gallery. Miss Florella Pedley of Holyoke elementary gave a short talk at the Sunday school last Sunday at the Congregational church. Her parents are missionaries in Japan. Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Crossland are spending a couple of weeks at Old Orchard. George Currier is spending this week at the home of his parents as a vacation from Fort Ethan Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crane, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John Crane spent Saturday at the White mountains. Rev. F. E. Currier will occupy the pulpit in Danville Sunday, Aug. 19. Next Saturday afternoon the juvenile temple will hold a picnic not far from George Gould's residence. All juveniles are requested to meet at I. O. G. T. hall at 2 p. m. Next Friday evening there will be a choir rehearsal at the Congregational church. All old and young singers of both churches are invited to be present. Rev. Mr. Holt and family have returned from camping at Joe's pond. During the electrical shower of last Thursday, lightning killed a cow for George Davison, for which he had recently refused \$75. Four buds on a night-blooming cereus opened last Monday evening at the home of Mrs. F. C. Voodry. Over 50 people went to see the plant. Charles Crane found one of his cows with a broken leg in his pasture last week. Sunday, Aug. 19, there will be union services in the M. E. church. Rev. Wesley Atkins will deliver the sermon. Several persons recently saw a white fox in the field south of W. R. Marsh's house.

BETHEL

Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Davis with their son, Austin, after a few days' visit at A. G. Perkins, have returned to Bennington, taking with them, Mr. Perkins for a visit. Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Edmunds, Mrs. A. N. Newell and Mrs. E. C. McIntyre are with relatives in Rutland. Miss Constance Palmer of Montclair, N. J., is a guest at S. M. Washburn's. M. L. Hadd of Boston has been visiting his sister, Mrs. F. P. Mitguy. Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hawthorne of Brockton, Mass., are guests at the inn. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Nicholson of Norwich, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Ballou of White River Junction were at the Bascom house yesterday. Mrs. Joseph Hunter and Miss Mary Hunter of Frankfort, Me., are guests at J. H. Patterson's. Daniel Lillie post and Relief corps will celebrate Bennington Battle day by holding a picnic at Broad Brook farm, Royalton, the home of Mrs. Elden Preston Porter. The grange picnic on Bennington Battle day will be held at Henry D. Davenport's; basket lunch at noon. Mrs. Mabel Fowler gave a canning demonstration at the school building yesterday. Her next appointment here is in two weeks, Wednesday, Aug. 22. All housekeepers as well as school girls are welcome. Miss Lottie Merrill is at home from Barre for a vacation. Old Home day will be observed at the Methodist church next Sunday morning with appropriate sermon and music.

BRADFORD

Mrs. Grace Renfrew is taking Lena Allen's place in Prichard and Hay's store, while the latter is away on her vacation. Miss Ruth Adams of St. Johnsbury was a recent guest of friends in town. Angus Grow has finished work at the Farmer's Exchange store. George Taylor was called to Rochester, N. H., last week by the illness of his wife, who was visiting there. Although Mrs. Taylor has not fully recovered from a severe attack of appendicitis, yet she was able to accompany Mr. Taylor home on Monday. Mrs. Carl Carleton and two children of Lisbon, N. H., are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Johnson. Miss Olive Welton was the guest of her parents here on Sunday. Rev. A. R. Crewe has tendered his resignation as pastor of the Congregational church. Mrs. George Hopkins and daughter, Olive, and Mrs. Will Norcross spent the week end at Lake Morey with Miss Ruth Hopkins and Miss Katherine Edwards, who are in camp there. F. V. Johnson took a business trip to New York the first of the week. Rev. E. W. Sharp, superintendent of Montpelier district, occupied the pulpit at the Methodist church last Sunday.

NORTH RANDOLPH

Ray Wallbridge and family spent Sunday at Mrs. F. C. Cope's. Mrs. C. H. Taft of Royalton, H. W. Downing and family of Washington and C. E. Taft and family spent Tuesday at A. J. Durkee's. Homer Brown and Will Hull of Fort Ethan Allen called on friends here Sunday. Carrie Bover of Randolph Center has been spending a few days at Arthur Parker's. Mrs. C. E. Taylor entertained the Hill Birthday club Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Colburn visited in Washington Wednesday. Mrs. W. A. Smith and Mrs. Ed. Blake recently visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rogers, in South Tunbridge.

RANDOLPH

News has been received by Mr. McIntosh of School street of the death of his father, Samuel McIntosh, at Northfield, the result of an attack of illness which closely resembled apoplexy. The latter had been in good health and retained his mental facilities to a marked degree considering his age of 97 years, but this attack he never rallied from, and passed away after a short illness. For the last winter he was in Bethel and has been here at different times to pass several weeks with his son and is well known in this town. Deceased is survived by one son, who lives here, and one grandson, besides nephews. Mrs. Ella Smalley has closed her boarding house for a vacation and Wednesday she left here for Northfield, and from there will go to Lowell, Mass., and Hartford, Conn., for a several weeks' stay. Miss Demeris Barretto of Burlington, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Dumas, left Wednesday for Springfield for a short stay. Miss Buck of East Randolph underwent an operation for appendicitis at the sanatorium Tuesday and is making a good recovery. Misses Bertha and Mary Morse and Miss Grace Pitkin left Wednesday for Lake Sunapee, where they will pass about a week, visiting other points in the vicinity and on their return will stop over in Windsor. Mrs. Cora Rice was called to Hartford, Conn., Wednesday by her sister, who resides there. Fern Rebekah lodge, at a special meeting held here on Tuesday night, voted to invite the district to hold their annual meeting here the second week in October. It is expected that the degree team of this lodge will exemplify the work. The fifteen-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Poor of Westfield, N. J., who died at that place, was brought here by the parents on Tuesday night and taken to East Brainerd for burial. This was their only child, and its death was caused by convulsions. Miss Doris Lattimer is enjoying this week Miss Gladys McCormick of Montpelier for a few days. Mitchell Larock of Brandon, and his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Larock of Brandon, who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. French, have returned to their homes. Miss Clara Smith, who has been in Somerville, Mass., for two weeks' stay, has returned home and resumed work in the telephone exchange.

PLAINFIELD

Are you a member of the Red Cross? If not, now is the time to join. Come and let us give Montpelier a 300 auxiliary from Plainfield. We already have over 200. Let us make it 300. No one is too old or too young to give their \$1 for the brave boys fighting for the freedom of the human race. We should esteem it a privilege to be allowed to give our mite to add to their comfort. We have already made 119 garments; 20 comfort bags and 41 housewives have recently been sent to companies C and H. Our young girls have knitted face cloths; 18 pairs of stockings have been brought in and many more are to come. Besides over \$200 in membership fees, we have had enough paid in to more than pay for our supplies. Is it possible there is anyone who does not wish to help in this good work? Here is where creeds and classes are not known. All work for a common cause. Come and join us. Owing to the very unpleasant weather last week, the Mothers' club did not hold its regular meeting. The club will meet with Mrs. Nelson, Thursday, Aug. 16. Each member is urged to attend, as there will be a quilting bee for the benefit of the club.

WILLIAMSTOWN

The regular meeting of the Agenda girls will be held at the home of Mrs. Etta Covell Friday evening, Aug. 10. The Red Cross society will not meet to sew on Friday of this week. All garments on hand are practically finished and new material, ordered, will not be here before the first of next week. The society would like to have a larger attendance to sew on Tuesday. In order to carry on this work we must have the spirit and service of all and not of but a few faithful ones each week. The society is still in need of more sewing machines and would greatly appreciate it if other ladies would loan their machines. Donations of old table linen and cotton, to be used for making napkins, tray cloths, handkerchiefs, etc., for the soldiers, will be acceptable. The society has already shipped to the Burlington supply depot 28 filled comfort bags, two dozen filled housewives and six suits of pajamas. The band will give a concert Saturday evening.

WHY SUFFER SO?

Why suffer from a bad back, from sharp, shooting twinges, headaches, dizziness and distressing kidney ills? Barre people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Could you ask for stronger proof of merit? Mrs. William Rock, 17 Farewell street, Barre, says: "I can recommend Doan's Kidney Pills as I have found them an excellent remedy. I used them off and on, when I was troubled by dull pains in the small of my back. I had frequent dizzy spells, when everything turned black in front of me, and I felt faint and weak. Two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills, which I got at the Red Cross Pharmacy, brought satisfactory relief." Price 60c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Rock had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.—Adv.



Skin trouble costs many a man his job

No matter how efficient a man may be, if he has an ugly skin-eruption, there are positions in which he cannot be tolerated. He may know that it is not in the least contagious, but other people are afraid, they avoid him, and he must make way for a man with a clear, healthy skin. Why run this risk, when

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SOUTH RANDOLPH

Miss Grace Cowan of Lynn, Mass., is a guest at C. L. MacPhetres'. Mr. and Mrs. George Spaulding and son, Charles, of Springfield, Mass., are visiting at D. L. Loomis'. Miss Laura Paine, who has been at the Randolph sanatorium for treatment, has recovered sufficiently to be at home again. Miss Emily Churchill of East Bethel is at work for Melissa Greene. George P. Hyde appeared before the exemption board at Chelsea Tuesday for a physical examination. It seems a little hard for the boys to be charged \$1.25 each for the filing of exemption papers, when, as far as they know, there is no chance for reimbursement by the government for their day's work and expenses during a busy time in haying. Richmond Camp is at work for George P. Hyde during the haying season.

SOUTH WALDEN

Gaylord Schoolcraft and family and Roger Houston and family went to Bradford Saturday. They made the trip with Elmer Stevens of Lower Cabot in his auto. Al Walcott was a visitor in town the first of the week. Harry Perkins of this place and Carl Porter of Hardwick were business visitors in Montpelier and Barre Monday. The Houston hill circle of King's Daughters will meet with Mrs. G. H. Newton next Wednesday, Aug. 15, for an all-day session. The Farmers' Duty. In this time of war there is a special duty laid upon every American citizen. Some have to bear arms and risk their lives and safety on dangerous seas and on the battle fronts in Europe. Others must care for those of them who are wounded and in performing that duty risk their lives almost equally with those who do the actual fighting. There are so many brave Americans performing such duties for their country that those of us who remain at home in safety and security must needs feel the obligation on us to do our part. The farmers of America have an important duty, a vital national economic function imposed upon them. They must provide food for our armies, food for our families at home and food for our allies abroad. The great and vital importance of this service has been recognized and the farmers of the country are directed to be given and will receive special considerations in the matter of exemption from military service. The service that the farmers of America are to perform is in the highest degree patriotic, but it is to be profitable, too. Never before has the American farmer had such a market for his products or such tremendous purchasers as he has now in the governments of the United States and our allies. And the funds with which these products are to be purchased are practically all raised by the sale of Liberty loan bonds. The president's patriotic call to the people of America made July 11 will find a ready response from the farmers of our country. "No true patriot will permit himself to take toll of our soldiers' heroism in money, or seek to grow rich by the shedding of their blood. He will give as freely and with as unstinted sacrifice as they. They are giving their lives. Will he not at least give his money?" But buying a Liberty loan bond is not making a gift. It is the safest of investments, and considering also its rate of interest and nontaxable feature it is a remunerative investment of the first order. Some pronounce it the premier security of the world. The farmers of America are given an easy way to serve their country, show their patriotism, and greatly benefit themselves. Money is needed to feed, equip, arm, and clothe our soldiers at the front. And money is needed, too, to buy the products of America's farms for our army and navy and the armies and navies of our allies. A great proportion of this money has been raised and is to be raised by the sale of Liberty loan bonds. The farmer in supporting the Liberty loan serves his country, his people, and himself, and he serves, too, the cause of liberty, the cause of humanity and civilization.

In Sundry Places.

A vicar has given his parishioners permission to bring their knitting to church. He cannot complain if during the sermon their wits go wool gathering.—London Opinion. A good way to use up left-over meat is to fill pepper shells. Remove the seeds and membrane from one-half dozen sweet green peppers. Make a filling of one cupful of bread crumbs, sprinkled with onion juice, cayenne, celery, moistened with water, and place in the shells. Add one tablespoonful butter to each pepper, bake slowly and serve. Dorothy Dexter.

Topics of the Home and Household.

Placing a piece of waxed paper under a centerpiece in the middle of a polished table will keep the cloth from sticking to it in hot weather.

For those who cannot afford the luxury of a real kitchen cabinet, a very good substitute can be constructed from the top of an old-fashioned buffet. If it has shelves, so much the better; it will then hold all kinds of spices and small cans containing articles in daily use. Small hooks about the size used for hanging up tin cups may be driven into the flat surface and will hold many utensils, such as the egg beater, can opener, tea strainer.

Preserving Watermelon Rind.

Take advantage of the low price of watermelons and make your preserved gingered rind now. To preserve watermelon rind, take two pounds of rind after the peel and the pink part has been removed, cut it into squares and soak over night in a solution of two ounces full strength lime-water added to a gallon of pure water. (The full strength lime water may be purchased at any drug store.) The next morning soak the rind in clear water, drain well and place for 10 minutes in rapidly boiling water. Make a syrup of six cups sugar to three quarts water. Add the juice of one lemon and slice in half another. Add the rind slowly to the boiling syrup and cook until the melon is tender and transparent. Remove the kettle from the stove and allow contents to cool. After cooling, arrange pieces of rind attractively in the jars with slices of lemon and add boiling hot syrup of medium heavy density. Partially tighten tops of jars and sterilize for 40 minutes in boiling water. Remove jars, tighten tops and place to cool in place free from draughts. Gingered Watermelon Rind—Proceed as for preserves until the rind has been soaked out after treatment with lime-water. Then drain rapidly for 15 minutes in ginger tea. (Use an ounce of ginger to a quart of water.) Make a medium syrup by using a pound and a half of sugar, a quart of water and a pint of strained ginger tea. Cook the rind in this syrup for about two hours, or until tender and transparent. After proceed as in the case of preserves. Muskmelons may be preserved in the same way as watermelons except that a little stronger lime-water should be used in soaking the rind. Send a two-cent stamp to the National Emergency Food Garden Commission at 210 Maryland building, Washington, D. C., and you will receive free copies of the home canning and drying manuals.

Favorite Recipes.

Rice Pudding—To make a delicious rice pudding flavored with coconut take a fresh coconut, break it, saving the milk by opening one of the eyes. Let it drain into a cup. With a sharp knife remove all the brown peel from the nut and grate it on a coarse grater. Take a cupful of rice and cook in the coconut milk with twice the quantity of water which has been poured boiling hot over the coconut and squeezed through a cheese cloth, sweeten and add salt and cook until the rice is tender and has absorbed all the milk. Serve this well dusted with cinnamon. This is the typical Puerto Rican dish which is well enjoyed. The coconut may be used with chopped apple, a bit of parsley and peppers chopped, a dash of onion juice and French dressing and makes a most acceptable salad. Stuffed Onions (Italian)—Parboil good sized onions and stuff the centers which are removed, chopping and adding four tablespoons of flour, four eggs, a clove of garlic, chopped; a half cup of grated cheese, butter, salt and pepper. Mix well and fill a half dozen onions with the mixture after it is well blended. Bake until well heated through. Apple Cake—Cream one cup of sugar and one of butter. Add two-thirds cup of apple sauce, one-half cup of warm water, one teaspoon of soda, a pinch of salt and two and one-half cups of flour. For a loaf cake, add a few nuts and raisins. For the filling for the layer cake, beat well together the white of one egg, a pinch of salt, one cup of apple sauce, and one cup of sugar. Spice Cakes—To one-half cup of sugar and one-third cup of butter or lard well creamed, add one egg, one-half cup of molasses, one-half cup of milk, one-half teaspoon of soda, sifted into one and one-half cups of flour, and a pinch of salt. To these add one-fourth teaspoon each of cinnamon and cloves and one-half cup of currants. This makes 15 or 18 small cakes. Date Loaf—One cup of sugar, one cup of sour milk, one piece of butter the size of an egg, one tablespoon of soda, two and one-half cups of flour, one pinch of salt, one cup each of dates, raisins and nuts. Bake in a loaf or sheet. For the frosting, mix together one cup of sugar and one cup of chopped nuts moistened with sour cream. Peanut Cream Dressing—Two tablespoons of peanut butter, one teaspoon of mustard, one teaspoon of sugar, salt and pepper. Mix well into this two tablespoons of thick cream and one tablespoon of chopped olives. Thin with vinegar and pour over either lettuce or chopped celery. Cinnamon Cake—Stir into one cup of flour two tablespoons of yeast powder. Add this to one-half cup of milk, and one-half cup of sugar. Cranberry Sauce—One quart of cranberries, one pint of cold water, two coffee cups of sugar. Put the berries in the water and pour the sugar over them. Let them boil for 10 minutes from the time they begin to boil, no longer. Do not stir but shake the dish so the berries will not stick on the pan. If you try this rule you will never change to any other. The berries are clear and red like cherries. Use a little less sugar if you do not care for a sweet sauce. Dorothy Dexter.

"There Is a Tide In the Affairs of Men"

By OSCAR COX

I am not an educated man and have no knowledge of literature, but I once heard or read the following statement: "There is a tide in the affairs of men which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune." This is my literary stock in trade. Since it applies especially to my case it is quite sufficient for me.

From my boyhood I was averse to hard work. By hard work I mean drudgery. I think that if I had been born the president of a manufacturing company I might have managed it admirably. I question if even lack of experience would have denied me. The reason I believe this is that when fate finally boosted me into a responsible position I took to the duties as a duck does to water.

My inclination, so far as I was aware of what I wanted, led me to adopt the profession of a tramp. I began my career in this line at eighteen years of age and followed it for four years. There was something so attractive for me in it that even now I don't look back to it with the horror it merits. Its very discomforts were at times attractive. Real tramping—I mean on foot—did not interest me. My favorite method of getting out of a district I had worked dry into one sufficiently far from it that I would not be recognized as an old offender was hanging on to the under part of a railway car.

And it was here that the tide of my affairs took me up and carried me on to fortune. One day I was riding on the bottom of a car. I was located under the baggage car, which was next behind the express car. Suddenly while passing through an open field the brakes were applied and the train came to a stop. I expected that it would proceed in a few moments, but it didn't. I heard a shot forward. This suggested to me that the train might have been held up. I put my head out where I could get a glimpse of what was going on. I couldn't see much before or behind, but one thing I saw very plainly—a masked man with an enormous revolver in his hand hurrying past to the rear.

A short distance ahead of me—the express car was directly over it—was a cattle guard. It occurred to me that from it I could see without being seen. I made my way to it, dropped down and hid behind a fence beside it. From between the boards I had a good view of what was going on.

The engineer and fireman were climbing down from the locomotive cab, being induced to do so at the point of two pistols in the hands of one man. He drove them back, where he was joined by another man. I could see no more train robbers and believed that the rest of the gang were going through the passengers for their valuables. One man was hammering at the rear door of the express car. It was evidently locked, and he could not open it. Another man climbed up beside him, and they consulted as to means of forcing the door. Both scanned the ground beside the train for some implement by which to effect their purpose. One of them spied about 100 yards from the car a log.

Both men jumped down and hurried toward this implement. Here came the opportunity of my life. What other robbers there were were in or about the rear cars. The engine and express car were unguarded. Like a flash of lightning an idea entered my head. I was not ten yards from the rear end of the express car. Leaving my hiding place, I got under the car, crawled to the rear end, mounted the platform and released the brake. This I accomplished without the men who were going for their battering ram seeing me, for their backs were still toward me.

Jumping down on the side of the train that put it between them and me, I made a dash for the locomotive, climbed into the cab and turned on the steam. The men had reached the tie and were lifting it on to their shoulders. They had barely succeeded in doing so when they saw a widening gap between the express car and the train. Dropping their burden, they ran for the part that moved. One of them ran so fast that he tripped and fell. The other kept on and, catching the handrail on the rear platform of the express car, managed to swing himself on.

It seemed reasonable to suppose that he would climb over the car and shoot me as he came. I had no weapon, so I prepared for defense with a chunk of coal. But I did not need it. The man did not appear. The noise of the engine and car prevented my hearing anything that might be going on in my rear, but after having run some five or six miles at sixty miles an hour the going in the cab sounded a signal to stop. Not knowing who had given it, I kept on, but presently rounding a curve I saw the express agent on the platform of his car. I slowed down, and he came forward. He told me that when the train moved he ventured to open the front door and then the rear door of his car. He held a cocked revolver in his hand and, seeing a robber on the rear platform, shot him before he could defend himself.

I had saved \$50,000 dollars from the robbers. Being asked what the company could do for me, I said I would like a job that would keep me moving. They made me conductor of a gravel train and boosted me rapidly. I am now president of the road.

One of the Elect.

"Sir," said the haughty dame to the poor inventor, "you don't belong in the upper classes."

"I think I do, ma'am," he replied, "for I live in an attic."—St. Louis Star. Let a man overcome anger by love; let him overcome evil by good; the greedy by liberality, the liar by truth.

FAMOUS PAINTINGS.

There Are Three Undisputed Mantegnas in This Country.

Andrea Mantegna, the brilliant master of the Paduan school (1431-1509) was distinguished among the Italian masters of the renaissance by a plastic style which made his figures on canvas not so much an expression of paint as of carved marble or molded bronze.

Of all the painters of his time he was generally regarded by critics as being most sensitive to the beauty of rounded form as distinct from outline. Mantegna died in Mantua in poverty, due not to lack of appreciation, but to his own extravagance.

The works painted by Mantegna, apart from his frescoes and the tempera pictures of the "Triumph of Caesar," now hanging in Hampton court, are not numerous. Authorities seem to agree that not more than thirty-five of the so called Mantegnas now extant are to be accepted as authentic.

In America there are only three undisputed Mantegnas. One is the "Adoration of the Magi," belonging to the John S. Johnson collection in Philadelphia; another is the "Madonna and Child" of the Altman collection in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the third is the "Madonna and Child" of Mrs. Jack Gardner's collection in Boston.—New York Times.

INVESTING MONEY.

What One Bank Has to Say About Real Estate Mortgages.

The president of one of the numerous savings banks of New York city recently had occasion to resort to statistics to prove his contention that real estate mortgage investments made with intelligence, knowledge of conditions and conservatism were the safest form of investment. His request of clerks for figures brought forth the fact that in the last thirty years his bank had lent upon real estate security the enormous sum of \$90,000,000 and that a loss of but \$35,000 in round figures was incurred in this manipulation during all these years.

Thus the bank has invested of depositor funds at the rate of \$3,000,000 annually, receiving an average of 5 per cent, or \$150,000, in interest and paying its depositors an average of 4 per cent, or \$120,000, leaving a balance for the bank of \$30,000 annually. Against this surplus there is the comparatively insignificant charge of \$1,500 a year loss during a period of thirty years. This record, significant of the not only safe but profitable business in mortgages, is that of one of the smaller banks in the savings group of New York city.—New York Post.

An Astronomical Mirror.

One of the most remarkable scientific instruments yet devised is that constructed by Professor R. W. Wood to aid the work of astronomers. This is an astronomical mirror, the reflecting surface of which is revolving mercury elaborately protected against vibrations, and it magnifies in proportion to the speed of its revolutions. A metal dish containing mercury and turning on bearings carries on its edge a series of magnets. Encircling, but not touching them, is an iron ring. By motor power this ring is made to revolve upon bearings separate from those of

the mercury container, but its magnets, attracting those on the container's edge, cause the latter also to revolve. Centrifugal force compels the mercury to form a concave surface, perfect so long as free from jars. This apparatus is sunk in a well fourteen feet deep and set upon a solid foundation to eliminate all ordinary shocks.

Why the Owl is a Night Bird. Birds are often credited with bringing down fire from heaven. In Polynesia it was a red pigeon, in French folklore the wren. The tale runs that all the other birds except the owl contributed a single feather apiece to replace the scorched plumage of the wren, so as to keep it warm in the coming winter. For its ill nature the owl was condemned to eternal seclusion during the warm day and to perpetual suffering from cold during the night, and the other birds maintain the punishment by pestering it if it appears in sunshine.—London Lancet.

Reason For the Change. "Your speeches are not as entertaining as they used to be." "Well," replied Senator Sorghum, "maybe I'm improving. People nowadays are getting so thoughtful that you can't expect 'em to vote for you simply because you can make 'em laugh."—Washington Star.

Perseverance. He that hath the patience to attend small profits may quickly grow to thrive and purchase. They be easier to accomplish and come thicker. So he that from everything collects somewhat shall in time get a treasure of wisdom.—Owen Feltham.

Now They Don't Speak. The Ingenue—Did you see the review of this show in the Morning Blatt? It said I was rarely beautiful. The Soubrette—So rarely they might as well say never.—Chicago News.

Not In His Line. The Leading Heavy—Hurry with my order. I am accustomed to being served in a hurry. The Waiter—I don't doubt it; but I am no sheriff.—Puck.

Two Standpoints. She—Mrs. Scraggs dresses in awful taste. He—I know she does; I've tasted her salads.—Baltimore American.

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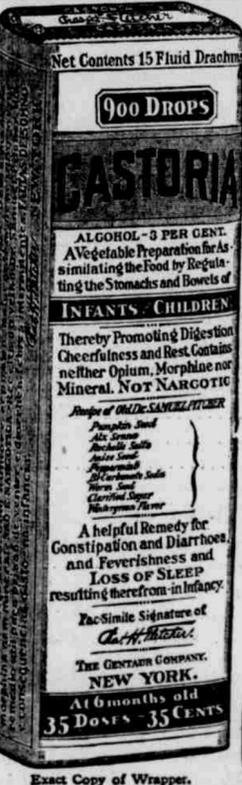
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