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AND FARMER.

"Water is King—Here is its Kingdom."

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The Pasadena News has bought a lot and is soon to erect a home in which to install itself and a new press. The Riverside Enterprise has also purchased the brick block in which it is published and the old time Press of that city is about to erect a fine block for its home, and the Imperial Press is going to try to lay the foundation for the coming prosperity and make a little hay while the sun is shining, or at least before it ceases to shine. Newspapers appear to be making money. So mote it be.

Pasadena recently voted \$300,000 in bonds for parks, public buildings, etc., and now it is proposed to vote \$100,000 more for a high school building. Thus Pasadena is placing itself at the head of the column in the way of building a city.

Southern California has this season shipped about 14,500 carloads of oranges and 2500 carloads of lemons, making in round numbers 17,000 carloads of citrus fruits for the season, quite a falling off from last year's shipments.

IN THE MIXUP.

Three smart young men and three nice girls—
All lovers true as steel—
Decided in a friendly way,
To spend the day awheel.
They started in the early morn,
And nothing seemed amiss,
And when they reached the leafy lanes
They in like
Rode twos this!

They wandered by the verdant dale,
Beside the rippling rill;
The sun shone brightly all the while;
They heard the song bird's thrill.
They sped through many a woodland glade.
The world was full of bliss—
And when they rested in the shade
Theysat intwos likethis.

The sun went down and evening came,
A lot too soon they said;
Too long they tarried on the way;
The clouds grew black o'erhead.
Down dashed the rain! They homeward flew,
Till one unlucky miss
Slipped sideways—Crash! Great Scott!
The lot
Wereallmixeduplikethis!

A low colonist rate of \$33 for all points east to Southern California has been arranged by the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe lines, good this year during September and October. This is the rate that was in force last spring, which brought 20,000 people to this coast. This coming season will see the tide of travel set in towards this country in a way never before witnessed. Get ready for the incoming tidal wave.

If push is a good thing in business, why not in politics?—Pasadena Star.
That depends. An honest push is good in both business and politics. A dishonest push is liable to send a man to the penitentiary in either business or politics.

The hardened criminal and the young person who has in an unwary moment yielded to temptation are both subject to the same law and the same punishment. The criminal class in the United States today consist largely of those who have been permanent criminals and those who have been made criminals, perverted and crushed down by being thrown into the society of criminals. It is a subject to which altogether too little attention is given by the public.—Los Angeles Journal.



ANNUAL BATH IN BLUE LAKE.

The rice fields of Louisiana and Texas, which have been given a careful study during the past season, furnish a striking illustration of the profits to be derived from the adoption of irrigation in this section. Even with the expense of pumping, rice growing in these States has proven remarkably profitable. Lands which were formerly worth from \$1 to \$3 per acre and used only for grazing, now sell for \$30 to \$40 per acre, and yield an annual return equal to the value of the land.—Irrigation Era.

If the present experimental crop of rice near Imperial proves satisfactory this will become a great rice country, with cheap water.

Nothing beats a good wife but a bad husband.

Most of the rights to water from the canals in Colorado are sold, some of them, however, are rented. Where they are sold the price ranges from \$1500 to \$4000 per water-right for 80 acres. In many sections of the State a reservoir water-right must be purchased in addition to the right to use water from the streams.—Irrigation Era.

This is at the rate of from about \$20 to \$50 an acre, with an additional charge for a reservoir water-right in some localities. Water-rights are still cheap in the Imperial Settlements.

A cross-eyed man was arrested for burglary in Omaha the other day. He proved himself straight. He just looked crooked.

A series of experiments in the humid section of the United States show that as an insurance against drouth and an aid to intensive agriculture, irrigation is yearly becoming of greater interest and importance.—Irrigation Era.

Yes, irrigation is cheaper than rain as it is a guarantee of good crops.

Ohio legislators are in the throes of an extra session. This is their punishment for previous faulty legislation. If California's lawmakers were to be thus penalized, they would be in perpetual session.—San Diego Union.

The burglar who was killed by a policeman, while in the act of robbing a bank evidently died leaving a lot of money.

Placing Himself.

One day a drill sergeant in the British army had a number of recruits to drill and wanted the married men separated from the single ones, so he formed them in a line and gave the word of command, "Single men advance and married men fall back in the rear!"

All took their positions except one, an Irishman, who stood still. The sergeant asked the reason why he had not moved, but no answer came from Pat.

"Come, my man, are you married?"
"No," replied Pat.
"Then you are single?"
"No."
"Then what are you?"
"I am courtin' Biddy," was the reply.