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The hay crop of the United States exceeds 45,000,000 tons and is worth \$400,000,000. No wonder so many farmers have hayseed in their hair.

One of the best medicines for the ills of this country, says an exchange, is good crops. Our contemporary might have added with equal propriety, "and families and failure of farm products in other lands."

There was much speculation in Washington Thursday as to the composition of the new Spanish ministry; but as nearly all Spaniards cordially hate the United States just at this time it is not probable that the new cabinet will be any more friendly towards us than the old one.

The great fight for the baseball league pennant between Boston and Baltimore is virtually ended, leaving the former the undisputed champions of 1897. It was a grand and close fight, however, and the Orioles have nothing to be ashamed of on their part, even though defeated at last.

A bicycle rider named Bailey struck a wagon tongue against his breast while going at a scorching rate and broke this important adjunct to the vehicle with comparatively little injury to himself. It is doubted by a crusty old bachelor if he would have escaped with equal impunity from a contact with a woman's tongue.

The recommendation of Dr. Jenkins, a Kentucky physician, that the blood of a pure African be transfused into the veins of a patient attacked with yellow fever, on the alleged immunity of full blooded negroes from this disease, does not amount to anything, in view of the past history of the plague in the South, and of the fact that during the present epidemic there negroes as well as whites have been attacked by the plague.

Those in command of sealing vessels recently returned to Victoria, British Columbia, report the catch on the coast of Japan and the Bering Sea as unusually small this year, the seals having scattered in all directions on account of the abundance of food. While this may be very disappointing to Canadian poachers, if it helps to preserve the herds belonging to the Pribylof islands it will be very agreeable to the government of the United States.

It is said that the President in his forthcoming message to Congress will recommend a considerable increase in the navy. The work of adding to the strength of the United States in this respect has been going on for several years and as we are still, according to the estimates of German military experts, in no condition on the water with such a power as Spain, it would appear, if this be true, that Congress should hurry up the work of building battleships and making guns.

There are four tickets in the field in Kentucky this fall, as follows: Free Silver Democrats, Gold Democrats, Populists and Republicans. As the gold Democrats voted with the Republicans last year, and as many of the Populists will vote with the silver Democrats this year in spite of the fact that the "middle of the road" men have a ticket in the field, it is believed in well-informed circles that the National Democracy, as represented by ex Senator Blackburn and other leaders, will carry the State this fall.

The committee appointed by the directors of the Board of Trade to collect data favorable to locating the proposed armor plate factory in or near this city met last Thursday evening and reported satisfactory progress. The committee is already much encouraged at the array of facts already accumulated, and believe that when they have been arranged for presentation to the armor plate factory board the Magic City's claims to the site will be equal to the best. This is encouraging news, and shows that our people should persevere in the effort to have

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the factory located here, since all are aware of the immense benefits to be derived by the establishment of such a great industry in this city. The adage that Providence helps those who help themselves has been already demonstrated in the history and growth of Roanoke and, if the people here will press forward with their usual pluck and enterprise there are many reasons for hoping that fortune will again smile upon their efforts.

The action of Council in awarding the contracts for furnishing and laying the drainage pipes on Franklin road and the improvement of the sidewalks already in progress there under the direction of Superintendent of Street Work Knight, leads to the hope that this important thoroughfare will before long be in a good condition for the passage of vehicles as well as for the safety and comfort of pedestrians. If the avenue could be made wider, or if it were possible to transfer the electric railway back to Roanoke street it would soon become from that point to Eighth avenue s. w., one of the best business thoroughfares in the city. It leads directly to the country south of here, and but for its narrowness and the fact that farm horses easily become frightened at street cars, would be traveled much more than it is, with a consequent large increase in the trade of persons doing business on that thoroughfare. As Rome was not built in a day and as money is not very abundant here, even with McKinley prosperity in full blast, it may be that it will be found impossible just now to make all the changes suggested. There is no doubt, however, that Franklin road would be greatly improved if it could be widened as well as macadamized.

MORE TERRITORY.

It is reported in Canada that the United States desires to purchase Greenland from Denmark, with the view of securing one or more harbors in the North Atlantic ocean. As all the explorations of that ice-bound country have only tended to confirm the belief that it is utterly barren and uninhabitable it is difficult to discover any reason why this Government should desire to add any more Northern territory to its possessions.

Alaska has turned out to be a valuable possession, and even before the discovery of gold there its seal and other fisheries, as well as its immense timber resources, had demonstrated its future utility to the people of the United States, but with Greenland the case is entirely different. From all accounts the entire interior is one vast sheet of ice and snow, and if there are any fish along the shores likely to be of any value to the people of this country such a fact is not generally known.

It may be the policy of the far-seeing statesmen of the United States to shut Canada in on the east and west as far as possible, with the view of its ultimate absorption by this country, but there are so many drawbacks to such a scheme and the possibilities of annexation are so very remote that the game is hardly worth the candle.

That the Dominion of Canada has within itself all the elements of a great and powerful nation, those acquainted with its immense resources confidently believe, and while in the course of time the people there may decide to unite their fortunes with those of this republic the day has passed when it was possible for the United States to acquire that country by conquest.

General Washington and his compatriots of revolutionary fame realized the importance of its acquisition, and had Montgomery succeeded in capturing Quebec the prize might have been ours; but after that disaster the colonies had all they could do in defending their own homes, while the war of 1812 still further demonstrated that the coquest of Canada was impossible. As after years of war and separation England and Scotland are now patriotic portions of the same great empire, so in years to come there may be a peaceable agreement by which all the English-speaking people of North America will be under one flag and one government; but those who talk of the conquest of Canada by the United States either do so in a spirit of idle boasting or are ignorant of the immense obstacles in the way of such an undertaking.

PRESENT SOURCES OF OUR UNSKILLED LABOR.

The rapid substitution in this country of Italians, Poles, Hungarians, and the like for English-speaking unskilled labor has unquestionably had some tendency to make capitalists more arbitrary and less carefully just in dealing with workmen. This new immigration has sharpened the distinction between organized and unorganized labor. The trades unions can generally take pretty good care of themselves, but it is comparatively hard for the newcomers from eastern Europe to resist injustice. Those engaged in mining, it is true, have now been more or less completely brought into labor organizations; but generally speaking the newcomers are at the mercy of capitalists. For the past two years immigrants coming from Austria Hungary, Italy, Poland, and Russia have constituted 52 per cent. of our total immigration. Their average illiteracy is 40 per cent., as compared with about 3 1/2 per cent. among immigrants from Great Britain and Ireland, France, Germany, and Scandinavia. Only one in about twenty-five of the immigrants from southeastern Europe is a skilled workman. They are exploited by our corporations in gangs at low wages upon all kinds of work requiring muscle rather

than skill, and they are not always treated with ordinary justice by the contractors.—Review of Reviews for October.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE VOTERS OF THIS LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT.

Roanoke, Va., Sept. 16th, 1897. Fellow-Citizens:—In soliciting your votes as a candidate for a seat in the next legislature it is right that you should know what line of action will mark my service in that body; and I here indicate the same, to which I respectfully ask your careful attention.

THE ELECTION LAWS.

Our present election laws are capable of most fraudulent manipulation. A law must be enacted so clear, so simple and easy of construction that the most illiterate can cast his ballot with perfect confidence in its legality.

CORPORATIONS.

The corporation must not be permitted to trespass on the rights of the citizen; neither must the citizen arbitrarily interfere with a lawful administration of corporate affairs.

BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

Our laws should be so amended, new ones enacted and old ones repealed, that such associations can be compelled to administer their affairs according to the letter and spirit of the ancient laws of the commonwealth, and where practicable, they should be required to restore the ill-gotten gains accumulated by illegal methods.

THE FARMER.

The farmers of our State have deserved more and obtained less from the paternal hand of the State than any other class. Isolated, unorganized and unsophisticated, they are the easy victims of the wiles of the army of harpies, great and small, who prey on them without let or hindrance. This has largely ensued from the fact that they have been content to delegate persons to make their laws who had no practical knowledge of their condition or wants—often no substantial sympathy with their afflictions.

THE WAGE EARNER.

Political platforms have always been profuse of promises in behalf of the laborer. Franklin said, more than 100 years ago, that "promises do not butter parsnips." What the laborer wants is less promises and more performances, less tears and more potatoes. Our Creator intends that every man and woman who wants to work shall have it; and He intends that every man, woman and child shall have food and raiment. If a government does not make such results possible, it will be torn down and thrown into the graves of the nations that have forgotten God.

FREE SCHOOLS.

The free school is the pillar of the temple of liberty, and must be protected by the State. As far as possible its sphere of usefulness must be extended, and the beneficiaries brought more closely within the range of its influence.

DIVORCE.

It is a legislator's duty to inaugurate measures looking to a uniform divorce law to prevail in all the States of the Union.

THE ELECTION OF UNITED STATES SENATORS BY POPULAR VOTE.

The present method of electing United States Senators by State legislatures is antiquated, un-American and undemocratic; and we should hasten to place that body in the same relation to the people as the House of Representatives—subject to a direct popular vote.

SALE OF DELINQUENT LANDS.

The last legislature enacted a law authorizing the sale of lands which had been sold by the State for delinquent taxes. The law which authorizes such a procedure should be annulled at the earliest day practicable.

GOOD ROADS.

A serious defect in the present road law is found in the fact that it is too local in its application. A general system of road laws is the only means to secure the most desirable results, and a general law should be enacted to meet the demand.

OUR CRIMINALS.

The present system of crowding our penal criminals into a common penitentiary without regard to age or degree of offense is antique and barbaric. Progressive commonwealths provide reformatories for the discipline of young offenders, and our State should establish a reformatory at some central point in the Southwest.

The foregoing are among the subjects that should receive the attention of the next legislature, and, if elected, I will pledge that laws embracing each shall be enacted, or a million Virginians will know the reason why.

Read this letter carefully and thoughtfully; and then cast the patriot's part. Your Fellow-Citizen,

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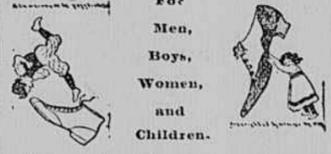
A few weeks ago the editor was taken with a very severe cold that caused him to be in a most miserable condition. It was undoubtedly a bad case of la grippe and recognizing it as dangerous he took immediate steps to bring about a speedy cure. From the advertisement of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the many good recommendations included therein, we concluded to make a first trial of the medicine. To say it was satisfactory in its results is putting it very mildly, indeed. It acted like magic and the result was a speedy and permanent cure. We have no hesitancy in recommending this excellent cough remedy to anyone afflicted with a cough or a cold in any form.—The Banner of Liberty, Libertytown, Maryland. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by H. C. Barnes. "He puts up prescriptions."

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The variety of tiny tinned dishes in silver is simply bewildering. Some of these are shaped like baskets with handles, and all rest on four clearly defined feet.

The mandate to "eat all wet foods with a spoon" receives encouragement in the number and variety of patterns that have appeared in this line of flat ware.

Beneath the Earth's Surface. Lord Kelvin does not believe in the theory that the earth consists of a thin crust, enclosing a liquid, byalike mass. If that assumption has any ground, he cannot see how it is that the crust has not yielded to the tidal influence as readily as the sea, and thus caused the globe to be pulled entirely out of shape. There is, he says, no reason whatever for believing that there is anything more than a very moderate amount of lava under the earth's surface.

Not Woman's Way. "She never complains of her husband's ill treatment of her," remarked Squigdig. "She suffers in silence." "If she suffers only when she is silent," replied McSwilligen, "she doesn't suffer long at a time."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

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Stop and think. Doesn't a man who owns any real estate always command your respect? Don't you think, "Oh, he's all right?" Aren't you a little more willing to listen to him than to the man unattached to the earth? It's natural to feel thus, and it may be right. Surely respect is due to the man who sits down and intelligently thinks about his position—how to get along in the world, and who then puts his thoughts into action. There is no reason why you shouldn't do the same. We don't care if you get six cents a week, or six hundred dollars. We can help you to prosperity, and it won't take us long to tell you how we'll do it.

8-room residence, Ninth avenue s. w.; \$1,600, \$100 cash, \$15 per month. Very desirable. Business lot, Campbell avenue near market; \$2,100. 8-room residence, Sixth avenue s. w.; \$1,500, \$100 cash, \$15 per month. This one may be just what you want. 6-room house, Fourth street n. e., near Fifth avenue, good house, good lot, newly painted, and only \$800, and we can make the terms all right. Come and see it to-day. Desirable house, Belmont Boulevard, near school building, corner lot, shade, stable; in fact one of the best homes in Belmont; \$1,450, \$250 cash, \$18 per month. 6-room residence, Fourth avenue n. w., near Jefferson street; \$750, \$75 cash, \$12.50 per month. Cozy little cottage, Rorer avenue southwest, shade, large lot, only \$525. Very easy to pay for.

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The organization of this company is with its management conservative and safe, offering rare opportunities to increase your values by subscribing to its stock, par value \$1. Capital \$1,000,000, and its officers are men of affairs and business which has prospered under their management. The members of the board of directors will warrant your investment in this company.

Here are some of the forty hardy spirits that, a few months ago, had gone out to the frozen lands of Alaska in the attempt to wrest fortune from the hands of fate. Through the golden gates and into the beautiful waters of San Francisco Bay steamed the modest little craft "Excelsior" on the morning of July 14, 1897. No salvo of artillery marked her arrival. No whistle blew a welcome home. No dipping pennants indicated that a few hours later her name would be carried around the world and be upon the lips of millions of people. But such was the arrival of the Excelsior, bearing the following individuals and their treasure:

Wm. Stanley, Seattle, \$115,000; Henry Anderson, a Swede, \$5,000, and a supply of dust and a half interest in his mine unsold; Frank Kelly, of Los Angeles, Cal., \$35,000; William Slocot, Nianano, B. C., \$52,000; Wilkinson, of the same place, his companion, \$40,000; Frank Phiscator, of Borado, Mich., \$96,000; Joseph Ladue, of Binghamton, N. Y., the owner of Dawson City and the first saw

mill in that country; Clarence J. Berry, of Southern California, \$130,000 from one mine and the owner of several others; Robert Kooks, \$26,000, and many others on the same boat, and the steamer Portland arriving later brought many more. Numbers have returned since with large fortunes that are being reported daily by the press. The riches of this country is far ahead of any other ever discovered.

Here is what some of the stock companies paid, formed and operated in South Africa: L. S. African Exploration, at \$5 per share, sold at \$72.80. Consolidated Gold Fields, at \$5 per share, sold at \$41.64; Gold Fields of Mysore, at \$5 per share, sold at \$90.31; Crown Reef, at \$5 per share, sold at \$48; Crown Deep, at \$5 per share, sold at \$46; Rand Mines, at \$5 per share, sold at \$111.76; Johannesburg Pioneer, at \$5 per share, sold at \$36.

Alaska is far richer than any country on the globe and stock subscribed in the companies now forming will pay richly beyond all expectation. No one should let this opportunity pass them, for when will you have it again? It is the one opportunity of your life. Grasp it. The following directors will warrant your investment and you may feel assured that your interest is well protected under the laws of New York:

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Hons. William Jennings Bryan, J. Hoge Tyler, John W. Daniel, and P. J. Otey are expected to address the people. Excursion trains on all railroads. One fare for the round trip. For further information address

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