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OLDEST PIECE OF WRITING

Sumerian Tablet in University of Pennsylvania Records Deeds of Babylonians.

A number of ancient Sumerian tablets, recording the deeds of the Babylonians thousands of years ago, have been deciphered by George A. Barton at the University of Pennsylvania museum. One of these tablets, which tells how a farmer rid his field of locusts and caterpillars, is dated 4,000 B. C. and is the oldest piece of writing extant, according to an announcement made by officials of the museum. The farmer, Doctor Barton's translation says, called in a necromancer, who "broke a jar, cut open a sacrifice, a word of cursing he repeated, and the locusts and caterpillars fled." For this service he received a tall palm tree.

That a canal was constructed in Babylonia nearly 5,000 years ago is shown by another tablet dated "The year the Divine Naram-Sin opened the mouth of the canal Erin at Nippur." Naram-Sin was a king in Babylonia and is supposed to have financed the construction of the waterway which gave Nippur transportation facilities with the rest of the world. A third tablet, dated 3200 B. C., records the transfer of land and a quantity of grain for bronze money. Gold and silver were known at that time, but were not used as currency.

POPULARITY OF BASE BALL

Base ball has grown to gigantic proportions within the last decade and the scientific work of the teams has been the delight of millions of spectators. There are so many things to admire in the game that it is impossible to describe them. Outdoor exercise is one of Nature's best aids in promoting health and strength and keeping the blood rich and pure; but, perhaps you are one of the many who are denied that privilege. You lead a sedentary life which always has a tendency to make the liver lazy, the bowels clogged and digestion poor. Oftentimes you are nervous, sleepless, have no appetite and feel run down.

Under these conditions you will greatly appreciate the assistance to be derived from a trial of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It helps Nature by toning and strengthening the Stomach, Liver and Bowels, and with these organs in a normal condition your system is well fortified against an attack of Sick Headache, Heartburn, Indigestion, Cramps, Constipation, Biliousness or Malaria, Fever or Ague.

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Horticultural NEWS

KEEP UP FERTILITY OF SOIL

When Trees Begin to Show Signs of Starvation Nothing is Better Than Application of Manure.

A great many farm orchards have been left in sod for many years and are in sod at the present time. Many are cultivated each year and the crop taken off the land, says Farmer's Guide. In most cases no effort has been made to keep up the fertility of the soil. Apples are as profitable as any crop grown on the farm. If the trees are not taken care of, a farmer has no reason to expect that they will give good yields. You do not expect hogs and cattle to thrive without regular feed, and just as truly the trees will fall if you starve them. The only difference is, that because of a store of food in the earth, trees will live a long time between feeds. This is so true that young trees growing on rich land need no feed until after the fruiting years begin. But after a tree has borne three or four crops, it will be much less vigorous. The leaves will be smaller and of a lighter color, and they will be noticed to drop quite early in the fall. The leaders will make but slow growth, perhaps none at all, where a few years earlier they extended ten or twelve inches a year. The difference will be noticed in the size of the apples, for they will be small and imperfect.

All these changes are danger signals. Your trees are feeling the exhaustion of starvation. The remedy is manuring, and nothing is so cheap as the barnyard manure for it contains matter which the soil needs to restore its primitive condition. Do not feed in a half-hearted way, for when a tree feeds only once in eight or ten years it needs a good big feed. Manure applied at the rate of 15 to 20 loads per acre is none too heavy.

UGH! CALOMEL MAKES YOU SICK!

CLEAN LIVER AND BOWELS MY WAY

Just Once! Try "Dodson's Liver Tone" When Bilious, Constipated, Headachy—Don't Lose a Day's Work.

Listen up your sluggish liver! Feel fine and cheerful; make your work a pleasure; be vigorous and full of ambition. But take no nasty, dangerous calomel, because it makes you sick and you may lose a day's work. Calomel is mercury or quicksilver, which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel crashes into your bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

Listen to me! If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-back guarantee that each spoonful will clean your sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning, because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless and cannot salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

RETURNED RIGHT ANSWER

Night Watchman in Department of Justice Scored a Hit "on His Own Judgment."

Not long ago a brand new watchman was appointed as a night guard in the department of justice. He assumed his duties, filled with the importance of his responsibilities. In instructing him an official said:

"Now, if anything unexpected happens during the night just use your own judgment in dealing with the matter."

That night, as the watchman sat at the door, there came a wire from some official in California asking the department whether there was any law against such a thing.

Now this was the time, so thought the watchman, to "act on your own judgment." He gave the boy a reply which read "I don't know of any," and the telegram was sent.

A high official learned of the matter and placed it before the attorney general. That officer smiled at the answer given and remarked: "Well, he's right about it—I don't know any law against it, either."—Washington Star.

As Seeing the Invisible.

No great purpose has ever been achieved by any individual until his spirit has first gone out into some wilderness solitude and there discovered its native strength, its absolute invincibility when it relies upon no help but that of God. This is the experience of all the greatest among men. They go apart from their fellows for awhile, like Moses, into the land of Midian, or like our Lord himself into the wilderness, or like St. Paul into the Arabian desert, and there, in solitary communion with God, from that highest of all companionships, they drink in strength to fit them for the work of our lives. Alone with God, they see visions which fill their souls, visions which never fade afterward even in the light of common day, but which serve as beacon lights to guide them, through storm and darkness, till the purpose of their lives is fulfilled.—Edwin H. Eland.

WAS NOT A FLORAL TRIBUTE

Mistake Made by Actress a Natural One, Though Certainly Somewhat Embarrassing.

The curtain was rung up for the third time, and Margaret Blake stepped forward and responded to the prolonged acclamation of her admiring audience. She spoke with a graceful modesty that charmed, then gathered her floral tributes. Was it the intense excitement or the blinding array of footlights that dazzled and confused her?

Quietly reposing on a lower box rail by the proscenium she saw a magnificent bunch of violets—her favorite flower—ostensibly placed there for her by a sweet-faced 'ark-haired lady behind them.

With applause still ringing in her ears, Miss Blake leaned forward and took the lovely bouquet, acknowledging the gift by a pretty bow.

The sweet-faced, dark-haired lady reached after her with a strange and sudden haste.

"Give me back my hat," she cried, hysterically.

His Question.

"Seven men out of every ten are confounded bores!" emphatically declared Alexander Akinside, the dyspeptic dissertationist.

"Why except the other three?" snarled J. Fuller Gloom, the widely known and cordially detested misanthrope.—Judge.

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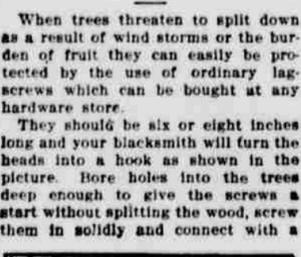
GOOD PROTECTION FOR TREE

Where Splitting Is Threatened as Result of Storm or Heavy Fruit Screws May Be Used.

When trees threaten to split down as a result of wind storms or the burden of fruit they can easily be protected by the use of ordinary lag-screws which can be bought at any hardware store.

They should be six or eight inches long and your blacksmith will turn the heads into a hook as shown in the picture. Bore holes into the trees deep enough to give the screws a start without splitting the wood, screw them in solidly and connect with a wire cable. Do not use rope because that stretches when wet and is therefore of no account.

This same method may be used to prevent the splitting off of large branches, always taking care that the screws enter the tree and the branch in such position that the wire will form a straight pull and not an angle, as it is likely to cause a split.



PRUNING OF THE PEACH TREE

Limited Amount of Summer Work Can Be Done to Advantage—Reduce Operations to Minimum.

Sometimes the owner of a peach orchard will find it necessary to prune his trees throughout the winter whenever the weather is suitable for men to work in the orchard, especially if the operations are very extensive. But if the fruit buds are endangered during the winter by adverse temperatures, it may be advisable to delay pruning as much as economic conditions permit until settled spring weather arrives. This is especially advisable if heavy heading in of the previous season's growth is involved, since the proportion of live buds may determine the extent to which the cutting back should be carried.

A limited amount of summer pruning usually can be done to advantage. The trees should be observed constantly throughout the season of active growth. Whenever a branch is seen which is so placed that it obviously will need to be removed at the annual pruning for the shaping up of the tree, it is well to take it off at once. In this way the annual pruning can be reduced to a minimum and the removal of large limbs rarely will be necessary.

Support for Raspberries.

All of the black and purple varieties of raspberries do better if provided with a support or trellis to prevent the canes bending over and dragging the ground.

WORMS.

"Wormy," that's what's the matter of 'em. Stomach and intestinal worms. Nearly as bad as distemper. Cost you too much to feed 'em. Look bad—'em had. Don't physic 'em to death. Spohn's Cure will remove the worms, improve the appetite, and tone 'em up all round, and don't "physic." Acts on glands and blood. Full directions with each bottle, and sold by all druggists.

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Novelty.

"Were you in the Easter parade?"
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"Your board bill is two months in arrears, Mr. Hallroom. Can you give me something on account?"
"Good heavens, woman! Do you suppose I'd stay here if I had money enough to pay for my board?"

True Christian Spirit.

Notwithstanding all that I have suffered, notwithstanding all the pain and weariness and anxiety and sorrow that necessarily enter into life, and the inward errings that are more than all, I would enter my record with devout thanksgiving to the great Author of all that belongs to my life and being—for joy and sorrow, health and sickness, success and disappointment, virtue and temptation, for life and death—because I believe that all is meant for good.—Orville Dewey.

New Kind of Sport.

He had taken a day off to go fishing, but, alas! his luck had been very bad, and when, on his way home, a fishmonger's shop came into view he was tempted and fell.

"I want half a dozen large trout," he told the man.

"Yes, certainly, sir," said the other, masking a number one size grin with a correspondingly large hand. "Will you take them with you?"

"Yes, please. And I want you to stand over there and throw them at me."

"Throw them, sir?" echoed the bewildered shopkeeper.

"Exactly! My wife is sure to ask me if I caught them, and I cannot tell a lie."

IN A SHADOW

Tea Drinker Feared Paralysis.

Steady use of either tea or coffee often produces alarming symptoms, as the poison (caffeine) contained in these beverages acts with more potency in some persons than in others. "I was never a coffee drinker," writes an ill woman, "but a tea drinker. I was very nervous, had frequent spells of sick headache and heart trouble, and was subject at times to severe attacks of bilious colic.

"No end of sleepless nights—would have spells at night when my right side would get numb and tingle like a thousand needles were pricking my flesh. At times I could hardly put my tongue out of my mouth and my right eye and ear were affected.

"The doctor told me to quit using tea, but I thought I could not live without it—that it was my only stay. I had been a ten drinker for twenty-five years; was under the doctor's care for fifteen.

"About six months ago, I finally quit tea and commenced to drink Postum. "I have never had one spell of sick-headache since and only one light attack of bilious colic. Have quit having those numb spells at night, sleep well and my heart is getting stronger all the time."

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"There's a Reason" for Postum.—sold by Grocers.

Work of Torpedoes.

Torpedoes cost over \$5,000 each; consequently they are not discharged unless there is a fair chance of hitting the object aimed at. So far the vessels hit by torpedoes have been stationary or only moving slowly; but it is probable that as the crews of submarines become more expert they will be able to hit a warship occasionally when she is sailing at a high speed.

OVERWORK and KIDNEY TROUBLE

Mr. James McDaniel, Oakley, Ky., writes: "I overworked and strained myself, which brought on Kidney and Bladder Disease. My symptoms were Backache and burning in the stem of the Bladder, which was sore and had a constant hurting all the time—broken sleep, tired feeling, nervousness, puffed and swollen eyes, shortness of breath and J. McDaniel. Rheumatic pains. I suffered ten months. I was treated by a physician, but found no relief until I started to use **Dodd's Kidney Pills**. I now feel that I am permanently cured by the use of **Dodd's Kidney Pills**."

Dodd's Kidney Pills, 50c. per box at your dealer or **Dodd's Medicine Co.**, Buffalo, N. Y. Write for Household Hints, also music of National Anthem (English and German words) and recipes for dainty dishes. All 3 sent free.—Adv.

The Point of View.

The Optimist—There's nothing like hope.
The Pessimist—There certainly isn't—for fooling a person.

Of course marriage is a failure if the liabilities exceed the assets.

Getting All Sewed Up.

It was several days after arriving home from the front that the soldier with the two broken ribs was sitting up and smoking a cigar when the doctor came in.

"Well, how are you feeling now?" asked the latter.

"I've had a stitch in my side all day," replied the wounded soldier.

"That's all right," said the doctor. "It shows that the bones are knitting."

His Opposite.

"They say people of opposite characteristics make the happiest marriages."

"Yes; that's why I'm looking for a girl with money."

Varied Program.

The women of a town down the state recently organized a literary club, and for a while everything was lovely.

"Louise," asked the husband of one of the members upon her return home from one of the meetings, "what was the topic under discussion by the club this afternoon?"

Louise couldn't just remember at first. Finally, however, she exclaimed: "Now I recollect! We discussed that brazen-looking hussy that's just moved in across the street and Nietzsche."

Ah!

He—Is she a good dancer?
She—Not scrupulously.—California Pelican.

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Are You Doing the Thinking?

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