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the world. APPLE BRANDY from \$2.00 to
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My stock of Liquors is large, consisting of
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for medicinal use at the old Reliable
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very cheap.

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White, Pink,

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\$1.00

One Lot

Ladies' Wool Vests

and Pants, worth 75 and \$1.00

each, for 50c

Have you seen our

ORIENTAL TABLE COVERS.

They are beauties and

cheap, come and see.

E. T. BAKER.

Has Moved His Tonsorial Parlor

Mr. Charles Lawson has moved his Tonsorial
Parlor from upper Commerce street to the
office lately occupied by the Free Lanes,
where he is prepared to do all work such as
Shaving, Hair Cutting, Shampooing and Hair
Dressing in the most artistic manner. His
shop is large and commodious, always open
even in the most oppressive weather. Neat-
ness and the latest style of work will be on
of the chief features of this establishment.
give me call.

CHARLES LAWSON.

No crop can
grow with-
out Potash.
Every blade of
Grass, every grain
of Corn, all Fruits
and Vegetables
must have it. If
enough is supplied
you can count on a full crop—
if too little, the growth will be
"scrubby."

Sent for one looking for all about composition of
fertilizers best adapted for all crops. They cost you
nothing.

GERMAN KALI WORKS, of Nuremberg, New York.

DR. SOUTHALE'S REPORT.

Too Many Ungraded Country Schools—Negro
Education a Failure.

The biennial report of the Superin-

tendent of Public Instruction to the

General Assembly is one of the

most interesting of public documents

furnished by Virginia State officials.

Probably the most interesting

feature of the report is that

portion which deals with the subject

of rural schools. The report dwells

upon the transportation of pupils

to the schools in country districts.

The hauling of the pupils from their

homes to the schools is not

directly recommended, but the results

of experiments in other States is

so forcibly presented that the plan

is practically recommended. The

transportation of pupils has been

tried in one or more of the counties

of Virginia, and has proven success-
ful. The report of the Superintendent

says that the number of un-
graded country schools is at present

too great, and suggests that it be

decreased, and that the children be

taken to the schools, instead of the

schools being brought to the chil-

dren.

The subject of negro education

receives full and radical treat-

ment. The report says that the

education of the negro in the South

has been a failure. It is argued

that the present system trains the

mind of the negro slave, and that

education is not the best remedy

to enable him to earn a liveli-

hood without manual labor. Yet he

soon thinks he knows enough to live

without working with his hands. The

result is he becomes a criminal or a

vagrabond. This same view is taken

by Superintendent Fossell, of the

Hampton School, in his last annual

report. The report recommends

that manual training be introduced

into the negro schools in Virginia.

The report discusses the subject of

manual training at some length. The

conclusion is reached that the intro-

duction of such training into the

public schools of the State is to be

decried.

The report recommends that the

Legislature restrict by law the

number of colleges and universities

authorized to confer scholastic de-

grees. The law of Pennsylvania

on this subject is cited. It is

pointed out that many of the colleges

of this State which at present confer

such degrees are in effect little more

LAWTON FUND OVER \$20,000.

The California Home That is to be Freed
of Debt.

Adj. Gen. Corbin reports that the

contributions to the Lawton relief

fund to date amount to \$20,325.10,

being an increase of about \$4,000

since the last previous report.

The Lawton home, in Southern

California, which the many friends

and admirers of the brave general

who lost his life in the Philis-

tinian war, was purchased in the spring

of 1884 by Gen. (then Colonel) Law-

ton and given to his wife. It is lo-

cated at Cypress and Sunnyvale ave-

nuces, and is planted for the most

part in orange trees. Only one part

of the purchase price was paid at the

time, and Gen. and Mrs. Lawton

owner, a mortgage for \$8,500, which

has not been reduced.

In order to remedy and enlarge

the residence, Mrs. Lawton decided

away, for a loan of \$2,000, an un-

divided one-third interest in the

property, but this was repaid in 1895.

In 1896 the taxes for the mortgage in-

terest were overlooked and the prop-

erty was sold for taxes. When the

taxs were paid last April this fact

was discovered and the property was

redeemed.

The ranch contains twelve and

one-half acres and slopes to the

west, giving a commanding view of

the mountains surrounding the valley on

all sides. It is an ideal place for a

home, and there Gen. and Mrs. Law-

ton had fully made up their minds to

pass the last years of their lives.

The modest dwelling that they found

on the ranch when they purchased it

has been enlarged to a beautiful

residence of twelve rooms, which are

filled with curios and souvenirs

gathered from all parts of the United

States. The house stands on a high

knoll which overlooks the surround-

ing orange groves and the San

Bernardino Valley, as it stretches

away to the westward to the Pacific.

The orange trees are now eleven

years old and are in excellent con-

dition. Because of his love of the

place, General Lawton spent much

of his time in Redlands, and was

there very often when his head-

quarters were nominally in Los

Angeles. The place is valued at

\$17,000, but Mrs. Lawton has often

said that she would not part with it

for twice that sum. The residence of

Redlands expert, Gen. Lawton's

body will be interred there.

He Only Repeats What Has Been Said

Around the World.

It has been demonstrated repeatedly

in every State in the Union and in

many foreign countries that Cham-

berlain's Cough Remedy is a certain pre-

ventive and cure for croup. It has be-

come the universal remedy for that dis-

ease. M. V. Fisher, of Liberty, W.

Va., only repeats what has been said

around the globe when he writes: "I

was placed in the school they would

reign."

On learning of this Mr. Scott

and he called a meeting in the school,

at which Dr. Powell gave his consent

to the appointment, but Mr. Bassett

refused to give his.

It was also asserted by Mr. Scott

that Mrs. Mary J. McHenry, prin-

cipal of the school, had expressed

to him her satisfaction with the ap-

pointment of Mr. Buckley. When

seen in her home all she would say

was that there was no trouble in the

school.

Dr. Powell said that she called on

him after the appointment was known

and said that she objected to having

a colored teacher in the school, and

said she did not think it the proper

thing, and that if the appointment

were made the trustees would re-

sign.

Mr. Bassett purposes bringing the

matter up at the school board meet-

ing.

Having a Great Run on Chamberlain's

Cough Remedy.

Manager Martin, of the Pierson drug

store, informs us that he is having a

great run on Chamberlain's Cough Re-

medy. He sells five bottles of that

medicine to one of any other kind, and

gives great satisfaction. In these days

of grippes there is nothing like Cham-

berlain's Cough Remedy to stop the

cough, heal up the sore throat and

give relief within a very short time.

The sales are growing, and all who try

it are pleased with its prompt action.

South Chicago Daily Column. For

sale by M. M. Lewis, Druggist.

Review of 1898 Shows a Record-Breaker.

Bradstreet's review of last year

says:

Rarely have sanguine commercial

and financial hopes or predictions

been so completely realized as during

1898. Nothing like the widespread

and general upward movement of

values, alike of staples and of

securities, could have been foreseen.

Linked with an immense business

and a record-breaking production in

many lines there was an advance

of staple values, either of which

alone would have made the year

notable, and combined they have

served to establish the year as a

record-breaker and set up new stand-

ards.

The volume of domestic and of

foreign trade alike was the largest

ever recorded, and the bank re-

ceipts, reflecting immense business

expansion, active speculation in

stocks and immense new invest-

ments, far surpassed all previous

records. Prices rose steadily during

the year, and advances ever recorded

in any single year, and brought the

general level of staple values to the

highest point reached for more than

eight years past.

Failure statistics points to the

smallest number reported for 17

years past. These results have come

into the face of a lessened produc-

tion of wheat and an immense fall

in the yield of cotton.

To industrial affairs the year has

been one of enormous expansion.

Nothing like the general advance in

wages of industrial employees has

been witnessed for many years, and

this has been accomplished with a

minimum of friction. The close of

the year finds manufacturers' order

books filled for three to six months

in nearly all lines. Distribu-

tion of goods is at a record volume

throughout the year. The holiday

business surpassed all previous re-

ports.

Notwithstanding smaller exports

of agricultural products during the

calendar year, breadstuffs shipments

being 15 per cent. smaller, cattle and

hogs exports 12 per cent. less and

cotton shipments, owing to the

low level of the cotton market, there

was such an expansion in our man-

ufactured exports that the entire ex-