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For Agriculturists to Consider!
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New Business, 1893	52,015,033
Insurance in force	335,152,947
Increase in Surplus, 1893	1,891,072

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MAGDALEN.

"Neither do I condemn thee; sin no more!"
Spake Jesus to the one accounted vile;
We know not with what wealth of gracious smile,
And gracious tone, to cheer her and restore.

But angrily He called down woe on woe
Upon the strict and solemn Pharisees,
Flaunting rich robes, with wide phylacteries,
And praying publicly long prayers for show.

Who followed Jesus, braving hostile men,
And poured out costly oil upon His head,
And, kneeling, on His feet hot tear-drops shed?
Not Pharisees, but Mary Magdalen.
Courage! poor outcast, sorrowing for sin;
The pity of the Master is for you,
Who knows as when in Palestine He knew,
Whatever the disguise, the heart within.

Oh! women, beautiful and pure and sweet,
Spurn not your sisters, though they sadly err,
More pharisaic formalists prefer;
Remember who, with tears, washed Jesus' feet.
—*George C. Brayton in Post-Express.*

Drink Three Pints of Water Daily.

"A reason," says a physician, "why I often prescribe one of the mineral waters for my patients and have them take it daily in considerable quantities is simply to give them sufficient water. It is an error committed by many otherwise sensible and intelligent persons that drinking much water interferes with digestion. One of those persons said to me lately: 'I rarely drink a swallow of water; a cup of coffee with my breakfast, a cup of tea or or chocolate with my luncheon and on after-dinner a cup of coffee again with my dinner, that is practically all the liquid I take. (This with an air of conscious rectitude). To begin with, tea, coffee, chocolate, or beer, wine, and the like are not substitutes for water, which is one of the most important of all substances, required for the nourishment of the body. Don't drain a half-pint glass of iced water just as you sit down to eat; that is palpably injurious; but do have a big glass of water that has been boiled and cooled brought to you on waking, and by the time the bath and toilet has been accomplished and breakfast is to be taken the water will not an interfering agent. About three pints of water a day should be regularly taken; fully this is needed by the system."

Amusement for Two.

A good story is told of William Swisher, one of the veterans who was present at the Grand Army encampment in Pittsburgh. He was in a Colorado town not long ago without money, but with a great thirst. He was sizing up a saloon outfit from a corner seat, when a Westerner invited him to take a drink.

"No," replied Bill deliberately, "I will not drink to-day."

"Won't you, Mr. Boiled Shirt?" replied the cowboy, "We shall see." Then he turned to the bartender. "Put ten whiskey glasses along the bar in a row. Now fill 'em up."

When they were filled he drew a pistol and cocked it.

"Drink down the line," he commanded.

Bill slowly drained each glass. When the last was down, he placed it on the counter, set the ten glasses in line, and turned to the cowboy.

"Now, mister," said he, "if you have 'em filled again I'll drink my way back."
—*Pittsburg Post.*

Wages in the Old Days.

These were the wages of labor in Delaware and Maryland one hundred years ago: White laborers, by the day, at any time of the year, 1s, 6d.; free blacks, about 1s.; labor in harvest, 4s. 6d, free blacks, by the year £8 8s.; hired slaves, £7 4s.; overseers, £22 10s. All these workmen received board and lodging besides. Canal diggers in those parts then had 36s. per month, lodging and all necessaries. The hired slaves received clothing also. The building of the city of Washington at that time raised mechanics wages at Baltimore. Masons working at the new city received six to seven shillings per day; carpenters, 4s. 9½d. to 6s., and negro laborers, 36s. per month, board and clothing.

Men are What Women Make Them.

It would seem a very simple thing, but the grace and politeness and gentleness of speech which distinguished the women of the chivalric age are now almost wholly unknown. When women talk of the decay of chivalry in man they forget that men are what women make them. Men are the exact reflection of their mothers and sisters and wives. Through the history of men of the past we have accurate knowledge of the character of the women of that time. As it is impossible for the fountain to rise higher than its source, so it is impossible for men to rise higher than their mothers, wives and sisters.—*Detroit Free Press.*

For a Cold in the Head.

"Will you kindly print a prescription for a 'cold in the head,' something that can be taken internally?"

The following is a very good one:

Extract of camphor 12 grains, of belladonna, one grain.

Sulphate of quinine, twenty-four grains.

To be made into twelve pills.

The dose for an adult is one pill every three hours during the active stage of the cold.—*Dr. Whitmye, in New York World.*

A Pretty Face

is the result of a healthy physicial condition. "Beauty is but skin deep" yet it greatly depends on a clear complexion, free from wrinkles and hollow cheeks.

Health always brings wealth of beauty. A healthy state of the system comes with Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It's a medicine prepared for woman's ailments—it cures those derangements and weaknesses which make woman's life miserable.

A woman who neglects to take proper exercise is particularly prone to excessive congestion, debility and a sluggish circulation. This is the time we advise the "Prescription." In all derangements and displacements of the special organs which result in "signs of inflammation," in catarrhal discharges from the lining membranes, and in distressing irregularities—this medicine is guaranteed to cure, or the money will be returned.

MR. CUSHING has exiled Lookout by sending him over to Canada, where J. Nixon, the owner of several well-known steeple-chasers, will ride him in the hunting field this winter and educate him to jump after the hounds.

THE REACH OF ROOTS.

A Subject of Importance in Connection With Plowing.

It is well-known that when a crop is removed from the soil there is left in the ground a certain proportion of root material, which adds so much fertilizing matter to the soil, according to the kind of crop removed, and much of this material is taken from the soil itself, far down below the reach of the plow, being stored in the plants as well as in the roots. Agriculturists have never fully determined the value of the roots to the soil except in a few cases with certain kinds of plants, such as clover and some of the grasses. The Utah Experiment Station has, however, made a series of experiments in this direction, which throw considerable light on the subject. Trials with roots at various depths have been quite limited, and the effect of tillage on cutting roots will be very much modified. There are those who favor deep plowing, so as to give the roots better opportunities for extending downward, but others object because deep plowing cuts the roots.

DEEP PLOWING NOT ALWAYS BEST.

It was found that the weight of the roots of potatoes was but 120 pounds per acre, and the greatest weight was found in the seventh inch of depth. Barley gave 376 pounds per acre, the greatest weight being in the third inch of depth. Corn gave 462 pounds of roots per acre, one-third of this weight being at the fourth inch of depth. The first inch contained but 16 pounds. Wheat gave about 493 pounds, the greatest weight being in the fourth inch. Timothy gave 1303 pounds, one-half of which was at the first inch. The oat crop gave 1888 pounds of roots, the greatest weight being at two and three inches depth, the most being at three inches. The fact that the greatest weight of roots is found at from one to four inches does not indicate that deep plowing is a necessity, and it is probably a surprise to many that the weight of the roots of oats is so heavy.

CLOVER STILL AHEAD.

Clover throws all other plants in the shade in proportion to weight of roots left in the soil, the weight of root for a four-year-old sod being 5630 pounds and two-year-old clover roots weighed 1481 pounds. The old clover gave its greatest weight in the second inch of soil (1248 pounds), and the first contained 1058 pounds. After passing five inches in depth the decrease in weight was very rapid, being about 125 pounds for the sixth inch, and 48½ pounds for the twelfth inch. In the face of these facts the value of clover as a sub-soiler is not as great as was supposed, its benefit to the soil being due to the influence of the tubercles in the roots. The preponderance of roots is for the majority of crops to be in the upper soil, where they feed, and the experiment is not favorable to deep plowing, as many of the accepted theories seem to be overthrown. It is, however, a strong point in favor of the rotation of crops, and the result of the experiment will be to lead to radical changes in cultivation.

QUERIES ANSWERED.

Extracts from the New York Sun's Interesting Budget.

DOES DEW FALL?

It was my opinion that the explanation of the appearance of dew, with the exception of a few slight modifications, as given by Dr. William C. Wells some years ago, was now generally accepted. According to this theory, dew does not rise or fall, but it is formed in direct contact with the object upon which it appears. It is the humidity of the atmosphere, deposited on the cool surface of bodies which have lost heat by radiation to the clear sky, and have fallen in temperature below the point of saturation of the adjacent air. Bodies which are good radiators and lose their heat to the sky, and which are also conductors and receive little heat from the earth or bodies, examples of which are grass, leaves of trees, glass, stones, etc., are most favorable to the deposition of dew. The moisture which collects upon the surface of a pitcher of ice water on a warm day is an example of the deposition of dew. Let E. T. get a recent comprehensive book on physics or meteorology. M. S.

"UNITED WE STAND."

What is the origin of the expression, "United we stand, devided we fall?"

John Dickinson, in his "Liberty Song" of 1768, wrote:

"Then join in hand, brave Americans all!
By uniting we stand, by dividing we fall."

And many years later George P. Morris, in his "Flag of Our Union," wrote:

"A song for our banner! The watchword recall
Which gave the Republic her station;
'United we stand, divided we fall!'
It made and preserves us a nation!"

Seemingly Dickinson's lines were in Morris' mind when he wrote these lines, and probably they were in the minds of those who gave her seal to Kentucky.

THE CRESCENT AND THE STAR.

Can you tell me the origin and meaning, of the crescent and the star on the Turkish flag, also on the order of the Mejidieh? Are they intended as a religious symbol, an heraldic device, or as a totem? When were they first adopted by the Mohammedans? Have they any astronomical or astrological significance?

AMADEUS.

The crescent was the emblem of the Greek or Eastern empire. It is said to have been adopted to commemorate the rescue of the city from Phillip of Macedon, B. C. 340, whose night attack was frustrated by the sudden appearance of the moon. After the capture of Constantinople in 1453 the Turks adopted the crescent as the emblem of the new empire, as typical of the growth of Mohammedanism. The star typifies Mohammed. The order of the Medjidie was founded in 1852 by the Sultan Abdul-Medjid, and, being the chief order in the empire, naturally received the imperial emblem as its emblem.

Made Two Bites of a Goat.

A few days since a full-grown goat was quietly browsing on the shore of Star Lake, at Palmetto beach, when a large alligator, fully ten feet long, was seen by several persons to suddenly emerge from the reeds, and with one stroke of his ponderous jaws bite the goat in half. He disappeared for a few minutes and was then seen to rise again and take the other half of the animal that had been left on the shore.—*Palatka Advertiser.*

ORIGIN OF THE POSTAL CARD.

An Austrian Had the First Idea—The Kinds.

Postal cards have been in circulation a little less than twenty-four years. The idea originated with Dr. Emanuel Herrmann, a professor of national economy at the Imperial Academy, of Weiner, in Neustadt, Lower Austria. His ideas, under the head of "New Means of Correspondence by Post," were published, and at once attracted the attention of the government officials. Baron Maly, the director general of posts, took up the idea and succeeded in having an issue of postal cards put in circulation on October 1, 1869. The original name given to them was the "correspondenz karte," and this has been retained ever since. This new move on the part of Austria quickly excited other countries to adopt a similar method of correspondence, and before the close of 1870 nearly all the European countries were using postal cards. Germany was really the second country to use cards, and a special series were issued to the soldiers engaged in the Franco-Prussian war. These were called the field post correspondence cards, and were sold unstamped to soldiers at the rate of about five for one cent. The soldiers had the privilege of using them without paying postage. Another series was issued for civilians. These had a place left for a stamp, and the writer had to affix one of the regular German postage stamps to the card before mailing. These field post cards are now very rare, the used ones being much scarcer than the unused ones. Another card of equal rarity, also a reminder of the same war, is the balloon postal card issued by France during the siege of Paris. These cards were sent up from Paris in balloons, and the mail bags were thrown off into the surrounding country where there was the least possible opportunity of their capture by the enemy. They were considerably smaller than our small blue postal card, and were covered with warlike expressions, as "Paris Defies the Enemy!" "Glory and Conquest Signify Crimes; Defeat Signifies Hate and a Desire for Vengeance;" "Only One War Is Just and Right—That for Independence."

The Religion of Nature.

To declare one's self such an atheist requires a great deal of courage or of ignorance. Either one is a fool, as the Scriptures say to declare there is no God anywhere, or, having discovered some philosophy of negation, has the courage of his convictions to privately and publicly proclaim it. If there is no God, what is this place in which we live, what are the beings you call man and beast, what are the heavens and the earth, the seas and all that they contain? What is this great coliseum on whose base we tread, and whose dome towers into infinite space? What is all this grand, wonderful scenery and mechanism? What are these actors that make their entrances, play their parts and make their exits? What is this grand theater we call the universe, this panorama we denominate the world, this solidity we call earth, the fluid we name sea, the vapor we term air, the expanse we denote the heavens? What are these laws we call gravitation and conservation and evolution? What these forces we know by the words light, heat, magnetism, chemical affinity? What do we mean by molecules and atoms? What are thought, reason, love, hate? Who will tell us what we mean by music, art, literature, harmony and discord, peace and war?

Four Honeymoons With One Bride.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Oct. 7.—Philip Stutz, a farmer of this county, and his wife Mary have had a remarkable matrimonial career. Being lovers in childhood they were early married, but, failing to agree, were divorced. After a few years they came together and were remarried. Again were they divorced and remarried, and even again did they secure a divorce, and last week were remarried at New Albany, thus being three times divorced and remarried. Mr. Stutz is well to do, and, as evidence that his wife can maintain herself in single blessedness, she was, when last married, the owner of a large millinery store in New Albany. They declare their intention of separating no more.
—*Indianapolis Journal.*

Sam Wah's Dried Oysters.

EAGLE PASS, Sept. 27.—Our live and energetic laundryman, Sam Wah, helps out his daily breakfast with Chinese oysters on the shell. The shells he brought with him, but the oysters he receives from China in the half barrel, dried and smoked. As they come they somewhat resemble dried apples or peaches. But Sam places a mess over night, each in a shell full of sea water, and next morning they have all the plump and juicy attractiveness of freshly opened oysters, and, aside from a decided taste of canvassed ham, much of their flavor. Sam says that they are dried in the sun and then smoked with a seaweed that, when burning, smacks strongly of oyster soup.—*San Antonio Daily Express.*

MOBBED THE BRIDEGROOM.

For the Very Simple Reason That he Was Marrying the Wrong Girl.

A correspondent of the London *Telegraph* writes: An extraordinary scene was witnessed at a Cheshire wedding yesterday. The bridegroom was received with groans and hisses and a running fire of abuse was kept up throughout the ceremony by a party of ladies from Winsford. Their hostility seemed to arise from the notion that the bridegroom was marrying the wrong girl. On leaving the church he was mobbed, his hat being knocked off, his face scratched and coat torn. The bridegroom was at length rescued by the bride and escaped in a gig.

A SCHOOLBOY thus defines eternity: "When our ships all come in; when the sea gives up her dead; when Father Time hangs up his scythe; when the heavens are rolled up like a scroll; when Gabriel blows the ram's horn; when the solar system collapses, when we find the lost Charlie Ross and the man who struck Billy Patterson; when Johnny gets his gun; when society becomes pure, and 'after the ball is over'—then will be eternity." He appears to have overlooked the Keely motor in his summing up.