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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

SUDLEY CHILDREN'S DAY

Fine Program Rendered—Catharin News Notes and Personal.

After a brief session of Sunday School, at which there were 125 present, Children's Day Services were celebrated at Sudley, M. E. Church on Sunday, July 13.

The Church was beautifully decorated in flags and wreaths. The S. S. tower which was completed and decorated for Children's Day represents the seven divisions of the Sunday School.

By 11 o'clock, the Church and gallery was crowded to its utmost capacity.

A fine program was rendered of about twenty features, which our space will not admit of publishing.

One of the most attractive features of the program was the Cradle Roll Reception.

Miss Neville Dogan read extracts from the Peace Jubilee at Gettysburg, after which the school sang America.

Among the many visitors from a distance, were the Messrs. Croson, of Washington, who are well known in the Sudley neighborhood for their vocal talent. Everyone enjoyed the quartette "Remember Me," which they so beautifully rendered.

Rev. J. W. Compton, of Oregon, brother of Mr. A. H. Compton, of Sudley, and for whom one of the divisions is named, addressed the school. He told of his pleasant memories of boyhood days at Sudley, where he was christened and where he preached his first sermon and how glad he was after being absent 38 years, to come back and find old Sudley in such a prosperous condition.

Children's Day was pronounced by all a most decided success and one of the best that was ever held at Sudley.

To Supt. and Mrs. Chas. R. McDonald the credit is largely due, for their faithful and untiring work.

"So say we all of us." The following paper was read by Miss Neville Dogan:

On the sunny days of July 1-4, 1913, Gettysburg's bugles echoed over a reunited nation. All that was left of the "Boys in Gray and the boys in Blue" who 50 years ago showed to the world how Americans could fight and die for the principles they believed to be eternal met again on this memorable field of battle; not with musket nor swords nor cannon nor munitions of war but with wreaths of immortelles—A reunited Country—where peace, joy, happiness and prosperity shall continue to be the lot of the American people. Was all in vain? Was all useless? For the answer we will quote from Secretary Garrison's address on that occasion:

"Can we not today surely say that it was worth it all that those silent martyrs lying forever enshrined upon this field did not die in vain, and that those who waited in trembling anxiety at home and bore the agony of suspense and uncertainty, did not suffer in vain? Do we not know that those whom the God of Nations hath joined together no power shall ever separate?"

And we quote further from Mrs. Helen D. Longstreet:

"The music of Gettysburg's bugles struck against the dim star, and the sweetness of it and the wonder of it shall make better Americans of us all. America 'Tis of Thee' was the melody that swept over the gray tents on Gettysburg's field. The glory of it rising here shall track—"

CONFERENCE OF CLASSES

Federation of Ladies' Classes of Fairfax to Hold Conference July 23-24.

The Federation of Ladies' Organized Classes of Fairfax county will hold a conference for all girls' and women's classes at Fairfax, Wednesday and Thursday, July 23 and 24, the opening session will be at 3 o'clock the afternoon of the 23rd. The counties of Alexandria, Loudoun and Prince William have been invited to send delegates. Each Sunday School Superintendent in the four counties has been sent notices to give all teachers of girls' and women's classes, it is not necessary that they shall be organized classes, all are invited and the Federation hopes the Conference will be largely attended and result in much good to those present. Only two delegates from each class will be given entertainment, but the Conference is open to all who wish to attend. The officers would be very glad to see a large number present from each class. Luncheon and supper will be provided for all.

Among the speakers will be Mrs. Robert N. Page, wife of the Congressman from North Carolina, Mrs. W. E. Andrews, wife of the Auditor for the Treasury, and retiring President of the Federated Clubs of the District.

Such topics as "Week Day Activities for the Classes," "Danger Points in the Work of the Classes," "Qualifications Necessary to be a Successful Worker," and others will be discussed. At the open Conference on the morning of the 24th, it is expected that points helpful to class work will be brought out and fully discussed.

The delegates are urged to send their names to the President of the Federation, Mrs. Frank T. Israel, Fairfax, at once, that they may receive their credential cards, and the Committee know how many homes to provide.

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT

Blume Property Sold to J. R. B. Davis, of Bristow—New Ice Plant, Coal and Wood Yard

We have been informed by Mr. J. R. B. Davis, of Bristow, that he has purchased the Blume property on Centre street, now occupied by Bennett's wood yard. Mr. Davis says that he will operate a coal and wood yard on a large scale, and that he will erect an ice plant with a daily capacity of ten tons, which he considers more than sufficient to supply the present needs of Manassas. It is also his intention, he says, to put in an electric light plant with power enough to furnish light and motive power to all who will need such. His plans for the electric plant will not be carried out on this large scale, however, if the proposed bond issue carries in the coming election. This will be a very decided addition to the business industries of Manassas, and places the town in a good light before other prospective investors. Mr. Davis says he will take possession as soon as Mr. Bennett can make arrangements to vacate. The consideration given for the property has not been mentioned to us.

Dumfries School Board Meeting

A meeting of the school board of Dumfries District will be held at Dumfries on Saturday, July 19th, at 2 p. m. for the purpose of appointing teachers for the coming school term. Contracts for fuel will be let to the lowest bidder at the same time. All patrons who are interested in this school are invited to be present.

REASONS FOR BOND ISSUE ABLY DISCUSSED

The mass meeting on Monday night was well attended by many friends and a few foes of the bond issue. Councilman Speiden called the gathering to order, and after stating the object of the meeting, suggested the name of G. Raymond Ratcliffe, president of the Manassas Business League, as presiding officer, and that gentleman was chosen by acclamation. Mr. Ratcliffe contented himself with very few words of general remarks and at once introduced Mr. Richard Messer as the first speaker. Mr. Messer is the chief engineer of the State Board of Health, and his whole life seems given over to sanitation. Mr. Messer gave reasons for the proposed improvements from the point of view of the Board of Health. He said that when a town reached a size of 800 or 1,000 population it first began to feel the need for a public water supply, and he spoke of this part of the subject on three different lines: water as a public necessity, as a commercial proposition, and for domestic uses. In nine out of ten towns fire protection is the great incentive, and such protection is the cause of a marked reduction in Fire Insurance rates. The inducement to investing business by firms or corporations where such protection is found; the value of a pure water supply to certain manufactories were pointed out clearly and dispassionately by the speaker, who then stated that the greatest insurance question of all was the insurance against disease by having pure water. Purity of water is intimately connected with sanitation, and will cause the disappearance of typhoid and other disastrous ailments. He spoke of the work in other Virginia towns and the hope of the Board of Health to have good water and adequate sewerage in all Virginia towns of even less size than Manassas. Private wells in the country are generally pure, but in towns and cities are not, due to soil pollution. Water seeping through the soil from nearby cess pools and closets will contaminate all well water within a radius of 200 feet, and disease germs are rapidly spread in consequence. Mr. Messer said it was better to have these things done before an epidemic of typhoid than after. Then the speaker began to talk upon the subject of flies, and not a shred of reputation was left that insect when he had finished. As disease carriers and distributors they stand high. But after all was said and done the impression remained that it was the careless property owner who was to blame, at least as much so as the fly. The neglect of back yard premises to the extent they are frequently seen is the primal cause of disease spreading. Flies thrive in filth and the picture given by Mr. Messer of how this and that can be and is carried by the flies to the very food we eat and while we are eating it was far from being alluring. There is only one town in Virginia of the size of Manassas without these improvements. Williamsburg with a population of 2,500 is so scattered in its topographical features that a system such as is desired here would be very expensive there; but with the exception of Williamsburg, every town that exceeds 1,500 population has a water supply. Mention was made of towns of corresponding size with Manassas which have put in these systems; Lawrenceville, water and sewerage at a cost of \$50,000; Chase City the same at a cost of \$45,000 were some of the places mentioned.

The public well of Manassas was then mentioned as being absolutely pure, and with a capacity of 120 gallons a minute, sufficient for this town's needs for a long time to come.

Mr. Harry Stevens, the engineer who made the plans of the proposed systems, followed Mr. Messer. He read the two reports made by him to the council committee, and explained them in detail. All his figures were based on actual bids for work of the same character under the same conditions as will be found here, and were made with prices placed at a very high figure. Mr. Stevens stated that labor and material were higher at this present time than they would probably be later, that there was more likelihood of them being lowered than raised and that this would have considerable influence on the figures presented.

Questions were presented to him for answer mainly as to the cost of the work on the south side of the railroad and the cost of carrying the systems to the town limits on south Main street.

The replies were apparently satisfactory. As to the size of sewer pipe, the speaker gave figures to show that eight inch pipe will carry 450,000 gallons, ten inch more than 1,500,000, and twelve inch 2,500,000 gallons daily. As to the life of terra cotta sewer pipe, Mr. Stevens stated that this material had been used by the ancient Romans and some of it of that day was still in existence which was the best answer he could give as to its durability. He also thought it would take about six or seven months to install the plants. It developed through questions that Mr. Stevens designed the plants at Bridgewater, which were built for a less sum than his estimate called for, and that Colonial Beach's system had the same good fortune.

Short talks were then made by various persons in the audience. Mr. C. A. Sinclair started the ball rolling by an inquiry if in the event of no bids being received within the \$75,000 limit, the council would undertake to do the work. There was a definite denial of such intention from Mr. Speiden and other members of the council.

Judge Nicol spoke at some length upon the advantages of the

plan. Mr. Brand, Mr. Lion, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Meetze made short talks of an interesting nature, and all giving a warm support to the plan.

After Councilman Brand's suggestion of a rising vote of thanks to the speakers had been unanimously carried out, the meeting adjourned. It is regretful that more of the opponents of the measure were not present. Some of those who have already been the most active in opposition to this issue were rather conspicuous by their absence, but those who were there asked questions which were answered at once. Taken by and large the meeting was a good one and brought the matter plainly before our people as no other method could have done.

THE COMING HORSE SHOW

Great Number of Entries—Fine Racing Program—Many Well Known Names Mentioned.

The plans of the Prince William Horse Show Company are rapidly taking on form and substance. Work on the catalog is being rushed day and night and every thing in connection with the event, which is the event of the season in this section, is nearing completion. Several of the exhibitors with their horses and grooms are already here, among them Mr. Roger Bailey and the Homewood Farm exhibit.

Several hundred entries have been made and the work of classification has been finished—a big undertaking. The names of prominent horsemen from many sections of the state and outside of it appear in the list of entries, among them being Mrs. Allen Potts, of Gordonsville; R. G. Donaldson, R. J. Sellman, of Washington; V. T. Churchman, of West Virginia; H. R. Lodge, The Lettton Stables, L. C. Ferguson, Homewood Stables, W. B. Skinner, B. W. Haxall, Jr., of Loudoun county; S. W. McCarty, Heartland Farms, W. S. Sowers, Roger Bailey, of Fauquier county, Cecil Borst, of Brandy; M. L. Hutchison, of Richmond. Prince William county is well represented by owners of fine horses from Nokesville, Gainesville, Haymarket, Thoroughfare, Manassas, etc.

The racing program has large entries for each day of the show, and both flat and steeple races will be of unusual interest.

The attractive features arranged for will doubtless take a record crowd to the grounds next Wednesday and Thursday.

HAROLD J. BENOIST DEAD

Son-in-law of Dr. B. F. Iden Succumbs to Fatal Malady After Long Fight.

Mr. Harold J. Benoist died at the residence of his father-in-law, Dr. B. F. Iden, at 9:30 p. m., last Friday. His illness had been a long and painful one, borne with fortitude in the face of a knowledge of its fatal character. Mr. Benoist was the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Benoist, of Natchez, Mississippi, where he was born 27 years ago, and where he was prominent in banking business after reaching his majority. In 1908 he married Miss Mason Iden, of this town, who survives him, with one little daughter.

Two years ago, Mr. Benoist entered a sanatorium at Saratoga Lake, New York, with the hope of recovering his health, and remained there until a few weeks ago, at which time he came to Manassas. Here he met with the tender care of his family, his mother being also one of his nurses, and here he laid down the fight. His remains were taken to Natchez on Saturday night, accompanied by his father and mother, and were interred in that city on Tuesday.

Young Man Killed By Train.

Charles Powell, a young man of Catletts Station, was killed at that place about five o'clock Monday morning. Few particulars are obtainable, but it is presumed that the young man was either resting on the railroad tracks or fell and was struck by a passenger train. His head was badly crushed. He is survived by his mother, with whom he lived, and several brothers and sisters.

HORSE KILLED BY TRAIN

Mrs. Young's Horse Killed While Crossing Railroad—Wagon Demolished

Mrs. William Young, who lives on the Southern side of town, had a very narrow escape from death on Thursday morning about 10 o'clock. While driving across the railroad tracks at Fairview avenue, her team was struck by train No. 35, her horse being killed, her wagon demolished and Mrs. Young thrown out.

Derwood Payne, who was the flagman at the crossing at the time, made every effort to prevent the team from crossing the track, and tried to pull the horse to one side, and came within an ace of being struck by the engine, the cylinder brushing his clothes as it passed. Trains No. 30 and 35, which make no stop at Manassas, generally pass at this point, and the fact that No. 30 had just gone Northward, prevented Mrs. Young from realizing the approach of No. 35, and thus added to her confusion.

The opinion seems to prevail that young Payne did everything within his power to prevent the accident, which might easily have resulted in a tragedy emphasized by two deaths; Mrs. Hutchison, of Richmond. Prince William county is well represented by owners of fine horses from Nokesville, Gainesville, Haymarket, Thoroughfare, Manassas, etc.

AEROPLANE IS ASSURED

Two Air Flights to be Made Daily on the Horse Show Grounds on July 23-24.

The management of the Manassas Horse Show informed a representative of THE JOURNAL Tuesday that final arrangements had been made for aeroplane ascensions in the course of the coming exhibit. The Kingan Aeroplane Company, of Newmarket, Va., have contracted with the association for one flight each day in a Curtiss biplane, piloted by the well-known aviator and wind-fighter, C. B. Johnson, who has made a great record as a successful and sensational birdman.

Such an event is likely to prove a big drawing card for the horse show, and crowds of people, no doubt, will be there to see a man in rivalry with the eagles. For some time these negotiations have been in progress, and at one time it looked as though the aviators were "up in the air" about this exhibition, but they have been granted liberal terms and the management of the Show congratulates itself upon being able to present such an undoubted attraction. The ascensions will be made daily about noon. To many of the visitors they will present chances, perhaps of a lifetime, to see these blood-stirring spectacles.

APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

Mr. D. J. Arrington, clerk of the Manassas District School Board is in receipt of the following:

"DEAR SIR:—Not having heard from you I conclude that the appointments in the graded school have not been made. In this event I wish to withdraw my application, as I have accepted a position near home. Thanking you for past favors to me, I am very sincerely yours, HILDA MAY BENSON, Brookville, Md., July 16, 1913. Miss Benson was a teacher in the graded school here last term."

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A PLEA FOR GOOD ROADS.

If the vote tomorrow in the Gainesville District is in favor of issuing bonds for the improvement of the roads there it will be a long step in the right direction.

A CHANCE FOR IMPROVEMENT.

Several of the ordinances of the town of Manassas for the regulation of Railroad affairs are recognized more in the breach than the observance.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN says he invites criticism. Just now his invitation is being warmly accepted because he says that he cannot live on \$1,000 a month and properly support his family.

NEW COUNCIL GIVES GUARANTEE.

As there has been expressed some uneasiness on the part of certain voters as to how the funds to be derived from the bond issue would be secured,

We, the undersigned, newly elected members of the city council of Manassas, do solemnly declare that in the event of the proposed bond issue being authorized

- C. E. NASH E. R. CONNER
E. A. BRAND D. H. PRESCOTT
T. F. COLEMAN ALBERT SPEIDEN
C. R. C. JOHNSON WM. M. WHEELER
R. S. HYNSON

AUDITOR MOORE'S TAX PLAN.

The plan of State Auditor Moore for a reorganization of the taxation plan in Virginia is of too serious and far-reaching nature for any superficial remarks.

FLIES.

This is a word to the very wise: eliminate those pesky flies. Screen the window, screen the doors, refuse to buy in fly-filled stores.

CERTAIN men prominent in public life think that Colonel Mulhall, of lobby fame is splendidly qualified to be president of the famous Ananias Club.

"WHEN is a man drunk" has at last been settled. If he can "walk a chalk line" he is sober, but if he shows a willingness to do so, he is intoxicated.

MR. C. A. SINGLAI finds that he cannot devote the necessary time to a canvass and therefore will not be a candidate for election to the General Assembly.

VINCENT ASTOR, the inheritor of the Astor millions, shows a spirit not often evinced by the very wealthy. He plans to give a day's outing to over-worked mothers and little children each week during the summer.

SOME of the opponents of the Currency Bill say that they can see through the efforts of Mr. Glass to have it pushed. He is melting with the heat.

United States Bank Examiners

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Conner's Market

CONNER BUILDING

MANASSAS, VIRGINIA

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Mahone is quite sick at her home near town. Mrs. T. A. Metz is lying critically ill at her home near town. A new boy has just arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lynn, of Independent Hill. The appointment of Eugene Monroe as postmaster at Purcellville has been confirmed by the Senate. Mr. E. R. Conner has rented the Shannon property on West street, and will very shortly take possession. Windsor Lodge, a fine grass farm of celebrity in Culpeper county, has just been sold for \$18,000. The Ruffner Carnegie Library will be open every Thursday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock in the Ruffner building. Claude E. Wiley's nomination as postmaster at Fairfax was confirmed by the Senate on Thursday of last week. Tuesday was St. Swithin's day. Tradition has it that the weather of that day will prevail for the following forty days. Col. John S. Mosby is spending some time in Rockingham county and is daily greeting numbers of his old comrades of the war. Mr. Aaron Sibley, an old and highly esteemed resident of this county, is lying critically ill at the home of Mr. Robert Bibbe, near town. There will be a special election in Gainesville district tomorrow to decide the question of bonding the district for road improvements. Mrs. Arthur Long, of Nokesville, received a message on Wednesday announcing the death of her father at Mill Creek, near Harrisonburg. President Wilson has named Joseph E. Willard as minister to Spain. A bill is pending in Congress to raise this office to the dignity of Ambassador. There will be a festival in the Methodist church at Aden on Saturday night. Ice cream and other things will be sold for the benefit of the parsonage. Fairfax county is warming up over the coming election of her member of the General Assembly. The county papers are pronounced in their opinions. Wilson Lee, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Holmes, died on Friday last at the home of his parents at Kopp, and was buried in the family graveyard there. The local members of the board of directors of the Industrial School went to Richmond Tuesday, on business connected with the reorganization plans of that institution. Robert Jenkins, of Fairfax county, and Miss Zena Brown, of this county, were married by Rev. E. A. Roads at the Methodist parsonage in Manassas, on Thursday afternoon. Fourteen head of cattle belonging to D. C. Clatterback, of Culpeper county, were killed by lightning on Saturday. Three fine horses were killed at the same place a month ago. The series of services held in the new Lutheran church at Nokesville, of which mention was made last week, were very successful. A rush of work forces us to omit an interesting account of them which was handed us. Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pattie, of Warrenton, while motoring with friends between The Plains and Middleburg, had their car destroyed by fire, of which the origin is unknown. The party narrowly escaped serious injury.

Miss Livera Deats very reasonably requests us to correct the spelling we used last week in mentioning her name. Spelling is a weak spot in the armor of many newspaper writers and we are not immune. Mr. W. F. Hill, of Nokesville, expects to make a contract with a builder in Harrisonburg for the erection of a commodious dwelling on his farm, near the Allendale school house, about two miles from Nokesville. Mr. R. W. Merchant, formerly connected with THE JOURNAL, has been appointed clerk in the office of Auditor C. Lee Moore, at Richmond, to succeed Thomas H. Bigger, resigned. Mr. Merchant left Wednesday, to enter upon his duties. Mrs. Jonas, of Nokesville, was found lying in the yard of her home on Saturday in a state indicating that she had swallowed poison. The immediate attention of a physician gave her relief, and she is said to have chances for recovery. Mr. Ernest Utterback returned to Manassas on Monday from Canada. He brought with him his string of race horses which were very successful in winning a number of races in the Dominion, and earning some handsome prizes for their owner. Mr. A. F. Divine, the former editor of the Loudoun Mirror, has left Leesburg for a long needed vacation, which will be spent with his sister in West Virginia. It is reported that Mr. Divine will enter the newspaper field again, but the place and time is not given us. Floyd E. Davis, one of the directors in the Nokesville Bank, was elected president of the Lincoln National Bank, of Washington, on Thursday of last week. Mr. Davis is a real estate dealer in Washington, and has been a vice president of the Lincoln Bank for some years. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nelson Flanagan, of Charlottesville, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Mattie Love, to Mr. Howard H. Furniss, of Baltimore. The ceremony was performed in Charlottesville on July 12. Mrs. Furniss is well known in Manassas, where she has been a frequent visitor. The editor of THE JOURNAL acknowledges the courtesy of an invitation to attend the "Moonlight Recital" at Sudley Church on Thursday and regrets his inability to have been present. Country ice cream and cake is a tremendous temptation to shirk all duties connected with getting out this issue of the paper. Two young men bearing a letter from the Wilmington News stating that they were members of a lodge of Red Men and on a tramp to the West, visited Manassas on Wednesday. Their letter of introduction bore the names of the editors of the Baltimore News, Washington Times, Alexandria News and Fairfax Herald announcing a call at each of the offices mentioned. Miss Lilian Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Bell, died at the home of her father in Haymarket, on Thursday last, and her funeral occurred on Saturday, interment in the family lot in Gainesville. She is survived by her parents, two brothers and seven sisters, all of whom were with her at the time of her death except one sister, Mrs. Thornton, who is in Panama. The Board of Directors of The Prince William Horse Show Company held a meeting Tuesday, for the transaction of business pertaining to the coming exhibition. The members present were: Messrs. M. C. Hazen, Col. N. T. DePauw, W. A. Buckley, D. J. Arrington, C. J. Meetze, M. M. Washington, John U. Detrick, C. M. Gilbert, Thomas F. Lion, R. H. Davis and W. B. Buflock.

A charter was issued in Richmond on Monday, to the Warren Copper and Iron Company, Incorporated, Front Royal. The capital stock will be from \$50,000 to \$150,000. T. V. Leach, president; W. H. Board, vice-president and H. K. Laws, secretary and treasurer were named as the officers. Mr. Laws is well-known in Manassas where he was connected with the National Bank for some time. Mr. John Ball a well-known citizen of Fauquier county, died at the home of his son, M. L. Ball, near Marshall, last week, and his remains were interred in the cemetery in Manassas on Saturday. Mr. Ball was formerly a resident of this county, having lived at Millford Mills for a number of years. He was an old Confederate soldier and was venerated and respected by all who knew him. Three sons and several daughters survive him. Judge J. B. T. Thornton rendered a decision in the Alexandria Court last week, upholding the ordinance recently passed by the supervisors of Alexandria county, imposing special county taxes upon motorists of Washington, in addition to the regular state automobile tax. Governor Mann has refused the District Commissioners' request for reciprocal automobile relations between Virginia and the District, on the ground of the very small number of Virginians to be benefitted. The citizens of Nokesville are taking great interest in the coming change in the postoffice there. Postmaster Melton's term has not yet expired, but as he has taken a position with the railroad company, several gentlemen have entered the race for appointment. Those whose names have been mentioned to us as candidates are Mr. Cockerille, the present assistant postmaster; W. Raymond Free, A. K. Graybill and Forney Armstrong, all of whom are said to be well qualified to serve in the capacity of postmaster. The Woman's Missionary Union of the Potomac Association will hold its annual meeting at Marshall, Fauquier county, Va., July 22-24. Every Society is entitled to two delegates and as many visitors as will go. Churches without any Society are requested to send representation. All expecting to attend will please communicate promptly with the Chairman of the Hospitality Committee who is Mrs. E. C. Kemper, of Marshall, Va. The outlook for the meeting promises a good time. Special services are arranged for, among which is the Jubilate period under the splendid leadership of Miss Virginia Aldridge. Miss Alice Taylor, our Young People's Leader, will be present and take a prominent part on the program. "RAG" DANCING. DEAR EDITOR:—Shall we, as an intelligent community, give more than a passing notice to the arrival of the so-called "rag" dances? When scores of cities, towns and villages, are prohibiting these "freak" dances, it seems we should certainly give the matter consideration. The question involved is: Should dances of questionable dignity be given our stamp of approval? The fact that many localities prohibit "freak" dancing goes to show that such dancing is considered either questionable or improper. This subject has been given much publicity in the press that it is useless to go into details. Many strong editorials are directed against these "new" dances, very few, if any, in their favor. As one, who approves, and takes part in dances of the old type, but who sees the destruction of all polite dancing should the new order prevail, I present these thoughts for your consideration. CLARENCE W. WAGENER.

PROF. ROOP'S STATEMENT

DEAR EDITOR:—In your issue of July 11, containing obituary notice of Mrs. Wilma E. Baldwin, the statement is made that "their home for some years was what is now the central house of Eastern College's group of buildings and which, with the grounds of the college, was turned over to the proper authorities in return for an annuity which ended with Mrs. Baldwin's death." Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin deeded their home with the understanding that the town of Manassas would pay them a life annuity of \$600, which condition the town failed to meet. The College authorities then bought Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin a joint life annuity of six hundred dollars from an insurance company, which cost Eastern College about ten thousand dollars. This purchase gave Eastern College a clear title to the property. HERVIN U. ROOP, President.

ITEMS FROM BRENTSVILLE

Mr. Herbert Keys has been ill for several days with the measles but is now able to be out. Mrs. S. B. Spitzer and Mrs. Roy Molair spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Renno. Miss Annie Cornwell and Mr. Ervin Spitzer spent Sunday evening with Miss Cornwell's parents, and returned to Mr. Keys later in the evening. Mrs. Bruce and her three children from Pittsburg, Pa., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cornwell for a week or two. Miss Gladys Atkins and Mr. Harry Pote spent Sunday with Miss Irene Shenk. Mrs. Robert Molair has been ill for several days, but is slowly improving. The people around here are busy harvesting and getting ready for the horse show. A few young folks from here went to the dance at Orlando. Mr. James Keys returned home Sunday, after spending the fourth in Fairfax with his aunt, Mrs. Nettie Weeks. DOLL BABY.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS

The regular summer examination for public school teachers for the year 1913 will be held in the Bennett building, Manassas, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, July 30th, 31st and August 1st, beginning promptly at 9 a. m. each day. The subjects for the first day are: Geography, spelling, grammar and composition, theory and practice of teaching, civilt government and reading. Subjects for the second day are: Drawing, physiology and hygiene, arithmetic, history of Virginia and United States history. Subjects for the third day are: Elementary algebra, science and English history or general history. The examination in theory and practice of teaching will be based upon Chancellors Class Teaching and Management; in physiology and hygiene upon Ritchie's Human Physiology; in reading and drawing the examinations will be on both methods and subject matter. In order that proper arrangements may be made for the convenience of the teachers, it is highly important that each applicant notify the division superintendent at least ten days in advance of the examination. GEO. G. TYLER, 7-11-St. Division Superintendent.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

Manassas, Virginia. Mayor: J. E. Cannon. Town Council: J. E. Cannon, W. M. Hall, R. E. Cannon, J. E. Cannon, W. M. Hall, R. E. Cannon. Board of Supervisors: Board of Supervisors meets Monday, July 22, 1913. J. T. Spruce, Chairman, Dumfries, Va. Treasurer: J. P. Linschman, Manassas, Va. Deputy Treasurer: G. A. Hitchcock, Military Grove, Va.; Jno. Leary, Occoquan, Va. Sheriff: C. A. Barbee, Manassas, Va. Deputy Sheriff: Jno. M. Hoop, Nokesville, Va. Manassas Lodge, No. 108, A. F. & A. M., meets on first Friday nights and weekly in the Masonic Temple. I. E. Cannon, W. M. Hall, R. E. Cannon, J. E. Cannon, W. M. Hall, R. E. Cannon. Fraternal American, meets every Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Masonic Temple. Prince William Lodge, No. 271, I. O. O. F., meets every Thursday evening at 8:00 in the Masonic Temple. Aden Council, No. 30, Order Fraternal American, meets the first and third Saturdays of each month at 8 p. m. in Council Hall, Aden, Va. W. Y. Elliott, Pres. Dr. R. E. Wick, R. S. Manassas, Va. Snowfall Tent, No. 56, E. O. T. M., meets every second and third Monday nights at 8:00 in the Masonic Temple. Manassas R. A. Chapter, No. 59, meets every third Monday of the month. P. H. Prescott, P. H.

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ABOUT PEOPLE WE KNOW

Miss May Carruthers, of Aldie, was a town visitor last Friday. Miss Isabelle Hutchison visited in Washington during the week. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brown were Washington visitors Tuesday.

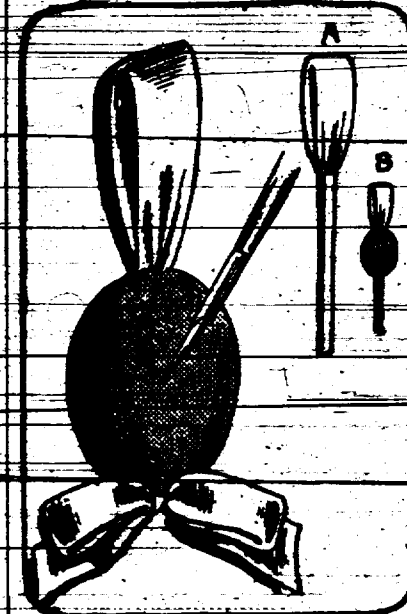
G. ... who recently obtained possession of the Wellfy place near Bristow was in Manassas on Wednesday. Messrs. Thomas Leachman, of Lynchburg, and Eugene Carroll, of Charlottesville, were visitors of Mrs. Bessie A. Elliot this week.

DAINTY DRESSING

Short Wraps of Delicate Fabrics Have ... The little wrap known as the "mantelet" has been adopted by Paris with an enthusiasm not surprising when the beauty of the models is seen.

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the two ends tied together. The paper serves a double purpose, as it will also prevent the ribbon from becoming soiled during its passage through the potato. The pens are cleaned by pressing the points of the ribs into the potato; and it will be found quite easy to do this, and the potato will clean the pens better than any wiper made of wood or steel.

A CARD

To the Voters of Prince William County. I take this method of publicly expressing my thanks to the many friends who have, without solicitation on my part, offered to support me in the event should become a candidate for the Virginia House of Delegates.

A CARD

To the voters and citizens of Prince William County. I hereby give notice to the people of Prince William County that I shall be a candidate to succeed myself in the next house of delegates of Virginia.

DAIRY-TRAIN SCHEDULE

List of Stopping Points With the Date of Lecture by Southern Railway Expert. The following table gives the place and date for the lecture on dairying by the Southern Railway expert as mentioned in THE JOURNAL last week.

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NOTICE The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Prince William and Loudoun Telegraph and Telephone Co. will be held at Hickory Grove, Va., on Saturday, July 19, 1913.

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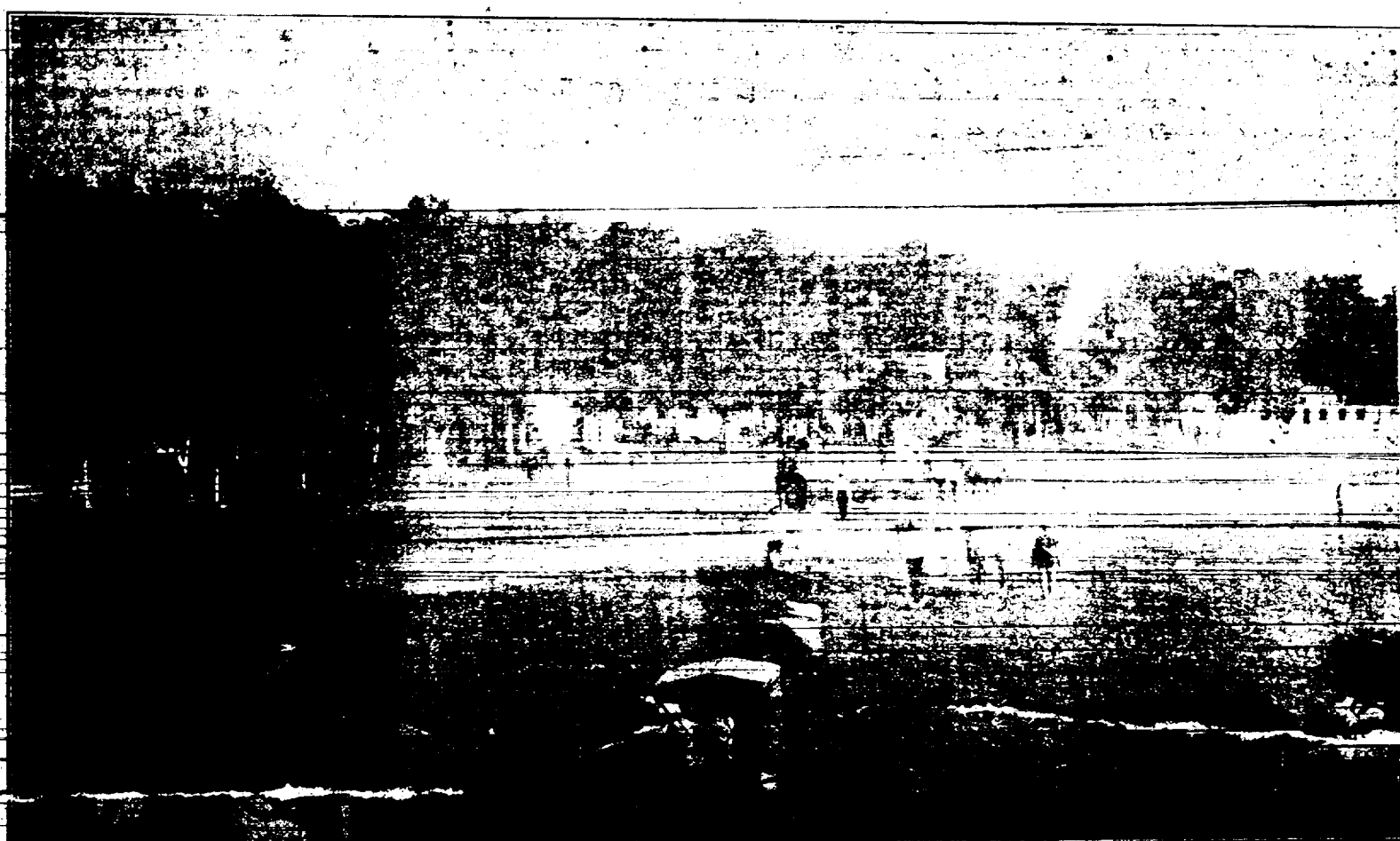
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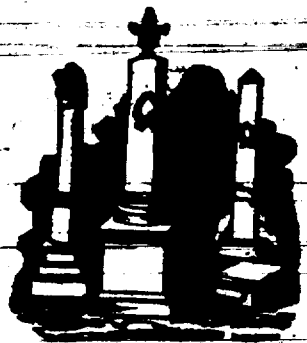
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In pursuance of an order entered by the Judge of the Circuit Court of Prince William County...

AN ORDINANCE to authorize the issuance of bonds by the town of Manassas...

WHEREAS the town of Manassas at present has no outstanding bonds...

WHEREAS it is the desire of the town of Manassas to borrow money...

And be it further ordained, that a certified copy of this Ordinance...

RAYMOND RATCLIFFE, Clerk of the Council of the Town of Manassas, Va.

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GRANDMA'S PARROT

It Could Repeat the Lord's Prayer From Beginning to End, and Then Some.

By BRYANT C. ROGERS. Mr. Fred Derwent was twenty-four years old...

Young Derwent was called an artist. This was to distinguish him from the many house painters...

Young Derwent developed a talent for sketching with charcoal and chalk. At nine-years old he could sketch a rooster...

Young Derwent managed somehow to pull through until he was of age. Then, as it was apparent to all but other artists...

When young Derwent was not busy with his brush he played poker, golf, polo and attended ball games.

Most artists fall in love at a tender age and keep it up till they strike 60. Young Derwent had never loved.

In the next apartment to Mr. Derwent's studio dwelt Miss Honora Haswell. She didn't call her place an atelier or a studio...

Miss Haswell may have been an orphan or she may not. She may have had plenty of money...

Mr. Derwent and Miss Haswell were not acquainted. They used the same stairway, and often bumped against each other...

One morning young Derwent awoke with a troubled conscience. A still small voice charged him with neglecting his grandmother.

He would take up some little project to prove his thoughtfulness and consideration—not an expensive present...

“Aye, aye, sir! It's a parrot just from Africa and I'll sell her cheap.”

“My dear grandmother, but might she make a present for my grandmother?”

“Main't a parrot, but you couldn't beat it, mazy. Your grandmother would prize the bird above rubies.”

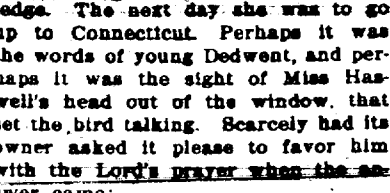
“She says the Lord's prayer three times a day and sings gospel hymns he rest of the time.”

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PREPARE FOR SUMMER

Clean Out Stables Before Hot Weather Sets In.

Recent Atten Manassas to Anemia as it is Disease Breeder—Open Doors and Windows as Fresh Air Can Circulate.

Clean out the stables, sheep and hog pens before hot weather sets in. Fermenting manure, if allowed to remain in the stables and sheds, will produce blindness in sheep and tuberculosis in cattle. Never let the manure accumulate in the stables; it is a fruitful source of disease, and when a disease once enters a herd of cattle or flock of sheep there is nearly always a loss of more than one animal, says a writer in the *Hallimore American*. A farmer who should have known better lost recently four valuable horses from lung fever, caused by piling a large quantity of manure, in an adjoining stable to help keep the stock warm. The gases from fermenting horse manure is very fatal to stock when allowed to remain in a close stable.

Fermenting manure under horses' feet will cause scratches and punies, both of which produce lameness, hard to cure. The best way is to clean out the stables every morning, flush the floors with dry plaster to absorb the ammonia, open windows and doors, so that the fresh air can enter and blow out the bad air.

When the day is rainy is a good time to sweep down the walls and ceilings and to whitewash.

The best whitewash for inside work is made as follows:

Stow lime, one-half bushel; add sufficient boiling water to slack it, cover to keep in the steam. Mix together one peck of fine salt previously dissolved in warm water, two pounds of glue dissolved in three quarts of warm water, six ounces of bicarbonate of potash and one-half pound of whiting. Add these to the lime, stir thoroughly, strain and apply hot with a brush or a spray-pump.

One bushel of lime makes thirty gallons of whitewash. Put on two coats. This wash will not rub off. To disinfect the stables, add one-quarter of a pound of bichloride of lime to each gallon of wash.

This lime disinfects and sweetens and brightens the stables. If the whitewash is strained it can be quickly applied with a small force-spray pump.

Whitewash for outside of building is made as follows:

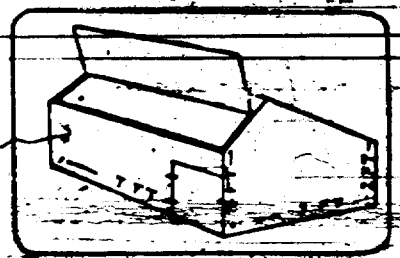
Slack in boiling water one-half bushel of lime, cover to keep in steam, strain, add two pounds of sulphate of zinc, one pound of salt and one-half pound of Spanish whiting, thoroughly dissolved. Mix with enough soda milk to make it spread easily and apply hot.

Coloring matter may be added to produce the desired shade. If white is not desired, apply when the wood-work is dry and when weather is clear. This is a double wash and much cheaper than paint.

PLAN OF MOVABLE HOG COT

One Shown in Illustration Provides More Room Than "A"-Shaped A-frame—Easily Ventilated.

We are firm believers in the individual brood pen. For several years we used the A-shape hog cot, but we like the one we are now using much better, writes Fred Baird of Cass county, Nebraska, in the *Missouri Valley Farmer*. It provides more room in a



Movable Hog Cot.

pen of the same size. It can be ventilated without having a draught. In cold weather the cot is set facing the southeast and the top door opened so the sun can shine in.

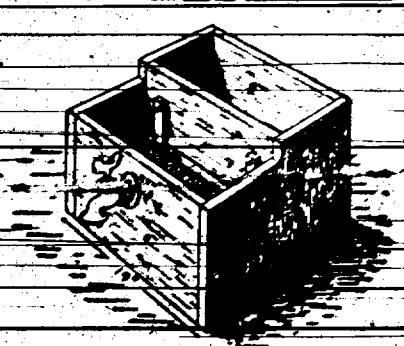
A pregnant mare should always be kept in a box stall. It is afraid to lie down in the ordinary stall for fear of not being able to rise again, and this constant standing up is very harmful.

In mild weather mares must be kept in the open sheds outside both day and night. Each mare should have a special place where it is tied to receive its grain feed. If tied from an ordinary trough, the more vicious mares may kick the others and gobble most of the feed. Roughage may safely be fed from racks in the yard.

STRAINING OF LIME-SULPHUR

Commonly Used Primarily for Control of the Brown Rot.

(By M. W. RICHARDS.)
Self-bottled lime-sulphur is a comparatively new spray material made at the present time and is used primarily for the control of the brown rot on the stone fruits. Its preparation is simple and should not be confused with that of boiled lime-sulphur. Self-bottled lime-sulphur is a simple mechanical mixture of free lime and sulphur, while boiled lime-sulphur is a mixture of complex and lime. Self-bottled lime-sulphur is made by slaking eight pounds of good, high-grade stone lime in a tub or box. Just as the lime starts to slake eight pounds of high-grade flowers of sulphur are added in. The slaking lime causes the lime and sulphur to mix thoroughly. After the lime has slaked for from ten to fifteen minutes, cold water should be added so as to stop the slaking. If this is not done, the lime may develop enough heat to cause the lime and sulphur to go into chemical combination which results in the formation of soluble sulphides that are highly injurious to peach leaves. The mixture of lime and sulphur is now diluted to 50 gallons and strained into the spray barrel. Great care should be taken to work through all of the sulphur, as this is the material which exerts the fungicidal property. In making self-bottled lime-sulphur for orchard use, it is advisable to work with large quantities of lime and sulphur such as 22 pounds of lime, 22 pounds of sulphur and 200 gallons of water. The heat developed from this large quantity of lime will better mix the lime and sulphur. This large mass of material will have to be thoroughly stirred, however, as the



A new type of strainer for lime-sulphur or other materials. The liquid moves upward toward the screen and out through the spigot. The coarse sediments collect in the bottom and any solution retained in it may be washed out and secured by means of the water required for the next bottling.

lime will have a tendency to cake on the bottom of the tub.

Formula—Eighty pounds sulphur, 2 pounds lime (unslaked stone lime. Do not use hydrated lime or that which is air slaked), 50 gallons water.

Formula—Eighty pounds high grade flowers of sulphur, 20 pounds stone lime (high calcium) that should be used; magnesium lime is unsuitable, fifty gallons of water.

HERBS NEEDED IN A GARDEN

Among Best for Use Are Mint, Sage, Lavender, Summer Savory, Thyme, Anise and Coriander.

(By LEROY CADY.)
No garden is complete without some of the herbs. Among the best for use are mint, sage, lavender, summer savory, thyme, anise, coriander, dill and winter savory. Directions for sowing these are given as a rule, on the package in which the seed comes. The seed may be sown in boxes or flats early in spring; and, as soon as the plants are large enough, they may be transplanted to a permanent place in the garden. One-year-old plants of most of these herbs can be purchased from the nursery, which will save some time.

Long Life of Rhubarb Bed.
Rhubarb is the first vegetable we have from the ground in spring. It has a host of friends who fully appreciate its merits, while those who have had it do not grow it. It is the longest one of nature's choicest and healthiest vegetables. It is the earliest plant to grow of all the perennials. A bed once established will last 15 years. A half dozen plants will supply a large family during the season, which with crimson winter rhubarb, is 33 weeks each year.

Par Quick Growth.
Every element required for quick growth and full development in plants is found in milk, oatmeal, chopped clover and bran, and in such well-balanced proportions that the digestive organs will not be overtaxed in any way.

Lime and Fertilizer.
Vegetables of a leafy nature, such as cabbage, lettuce and spinach, are greatly benefited by the application of lime. In order to grow profitable crops of lettuce and spinach it is necessary to fertilize liberally.

DANGER OF BLIND STAGGERS

KANSAS Experiment Station Finds Disease Caused by Poison in Mold and Fungus on Corn Ears.

Information coming from widely separated places show that the corn-ear worm is causing injury and death to farm animals by infesting them and giving them blind staggers. Following is an extract from an article in *Farm and Fireside*:

For five or six years occasional outbreaks of blind staggers in horses have attracted attention. During this time the Kansas experiment station has been making an experimental study of this disease and its origin. Its exact cause is still only partially understood, but enough has been learned to place the blame safely on poison in the mold and fish found on ears damaged by the corn-ear worm.

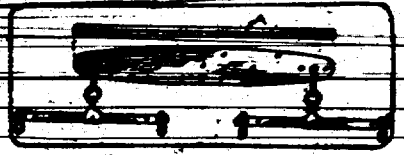
The eggs of the adult insect causing this trouble are laid in the husks of the young ears. After hatching the caterpillars burrow through the soft young kernels, leaving its filth, which, with the seeping juices of the corn, furnishes the best possible medium for the development of the seed mold and putrid decay. Sufficient of this poisonous material remains in the cobs and corn to cause a gradual poisoning of the horses consuming any considerable quantity of the damaged corn.

The loss of horses in Kansas and a number of other states from blind staggers has been found to be incurable, even by a skilled veterinarian, unless the treatment is begun early.

TO REINFORCE A DOUBLETREE

Can Be Made of Oak Boards With Piece of Metal Between Them—Hold Strongest Team.

A reinforced doubletree can be made of two one-inch oak boards with a piece of metal, A between them. The metal should be about 2 1/2 inches thick. All three pieces should be cut and shaped alike and riveted together. The doubletrees are made in the same



Reinforced Doubletree.

manner. They are not difficult to make and will hold the strongest team, besides outlasting a dozen ordinary doubletrees.

SOWING SEEDS TOO THICKLY

Practice Should Be Discouraged as Overcrowding Undermines Cultivation of Plants.

(By W. B. GILBERT.)
THICK sowing must be guarded against. Each seed should have room to grow without crushing or injuring its neighbor.

Overcrowding undermines the cultivation of plants at the start and it is long before, if ever, they outgrow it.

Of course, small plants or seeds may be sown more thickly than the larger ones, but relatively they ought really not to be sown thicker.

Each plant should have sufficient room to develop its root system and one leaf before it is thinned or 'pricked out.'

Every year vegetable crops are much injured by being sown too thickly and perhaps it is hardly too much to affirm that most gardeners would be the gainers were only half the seed sown that there is now.

As to what to sow the seed in, the lighter the seed bed the better.

Few seeds will germinate in a fewer temperature than 50 degrees and in the range of 20 degrees all seeds will grow.

Cause of "White Comb"

"White comb" in fowls is caused by decayed food, impure water and overcrowding in dark and filthy houses. There is a scurfy appearance to the comb and wattles, head and neck, with a gradual loss of feathers from the head and neck. Treatment consists in removing to clean quarters and giving wholesome food. At night give a teaspoonful of castor oil, after which add daily a teaspoonful of good condition powder to the soft feed, and anoint the head and afflicted parts with vasoline. The castor oil need only be given once.

Egg-Laying Contest.

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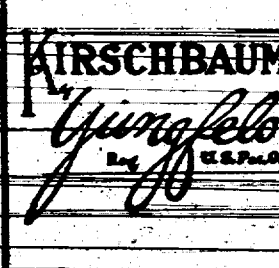
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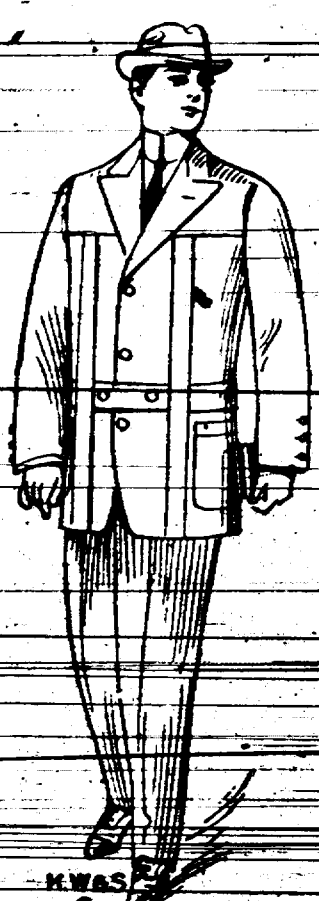
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