

MINISTERS LIVE LONGEST.

Longevity Demands the Simple Life—No Excesses.

A recent investigation made to find out what class of men live the longest revealed the fact that clergymen live longer than other men.

Moderation is now considered the salvation of this life. A splendid rule for attaining longevity is summed up by the United States Public Health Service in the following short cut statement.

Women in Agriculture.

Across the waters the war has affected some startling changes in the normal status of women.

As the teaching of agriculture advances and as it takes on more and more the characteristics of cultural, educational, liberal training, in addition to its vocational aspects, it draws to itself women teachers, who find in the subject a new outlook for inspiration.

When the great majority of our rural teachers survey their local communities and learn that the splitting of the wood, the feeding of the live-stock, the milking of the cows, the caring for the poultry, the making of the butter and the general attendance to farm chores is not done by the men, but by the women, in many instances, they will perhaps feel that in lending their intelligence and sympathy to the solution of rural problems, in order to alleviate the hard tasks of rural women, they are accomplishing the most worthy and significant task in the field of modern education.

When Chew Tastes Wrong. If the tobacco chewer is ever just right physically, which is a matter of some doubt in a scientific view, it is when his tobacco takes on an unusually delicious flavor that lingers to rejoice him after the cud has been ejected.

But look out when the first morning chew does not taste right. That is the warning that things are going wrong that day so far as bodily lightness and vigor are concerned.

One of the most distinguished of Gallipolis men once told us that his early morning chew, taken before breakfast, was the most exquisite sensual pleasure that came to him.

Matthew Harris, a negro, has been awarded damages in the sum of \$22,500 against John A. Reichman, former sheriff of Shelby county, Tenn., and members of the sheriff's posse who dynamited his home.

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DEATHS FROM CANCER INCREASING.

Over 5,000 People Died From Cancer Last Year—Well People Fall Victims.

Cancer is now considered to be one of the most frequent causes of death, 54,584 people in the United States having died from this disease last year.

The only cure for cancer is to remove every trace of the disease. The only sure way to do this is by a surgical operation.

The Art of Kissing. There's no telling who invented the art of kissing, but it is a safe assertion that no other inventor ever saw his example so universally adopted or so "go-aheadingly" enjoyed.

(By Robert Quillen.)

Kissing is a pleasure, a habit, an ecstasy, a duty, a sin, a crime—depending altogether on the circumstances.

Kissing a baby is about the sweetest kissing on earth, but it's mighty hard on the baby. He gets such a lot of it.

Kissing a girl whose lips are like warm velvet and whose cheeks are as soft as the dove's breast would be about the nicest thing on earth, except for the fact that no one gets to kiss that kind of a girl except raw boys who haven't learned how to kiss.

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The Raleigh News and Observer says: The farmers who grow cotton have seen in recent years that the price of the great staple may fall, or rise to unexpected heights.

A Danger Line.

The cotton crop of 1915 was a short crop, and with the 1916 crop there was a yield of less than was required by the world, making plain the big reason for the high price that has been reached.

That the cotton goods manufacturing business will continue as at present—or even get better.

That news print paper will go down that the hens will lay more profusely than in 1916.

That the Orthopaedic Hospital will be built.

That the State Legislature will authorize the building of that textile school in Gastonia.

That the city council will publish the financial statements required by law—or get the law repealed.

That the farmers may have fine seasons on all their crops.

That the North Carolina legislature will pass a law giving to the Australian ballot system.

That the Piedmont Telephone & Telegraph Company will give us a new telephone directory.

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New York World. Germany's answer to President Wilson's note completely evades the issue.

The President requested from each of the belligerents a definite statement of the objects of the war and the terms upon which it would consider peace.

The British Government, through its Prime Minister, has already made its response to that suggestion.

Yet in reply to the President's request for terms, the German Government goes no further than to renew a proposal which it knows has been rejected.

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Big Trade Campaign and Automobile Contest

Starts New Year with a hum. Now is a good time for contestants to get busy and do some good work, while work counts.

Don't forget too the big offer on Due Bills. 1,000 votes given to the dollar on the sale of due bills.

And remember Wednesdays and Saturdays are special sales days on which we give 2,000 votes to the dollar.

No. 4 won the last dinner set and the next dinner set will be given away Monday, January 8. A little hustling will make you the winner of one of these lovely sets.

Next week we will publish the standing of all contestants. Get busy and see that your Number is at the top. All votes will be counted this week and the standings ascertained.

Watch for announcements next week, and don't fail to help yourself or your friend in this campaign.

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AUCTION SALE

AT GIBSON SATURDAY, JANUARY 16th, 1917

The entire estate of the late E. J. Gibson, consisting of choice real estate in the town of Gibson, will be cut up into nice lots and sold to the highest bidder.

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Sale will be conducted by D. F. Fort, Jr. and Allen Bros. of Raleigh. Don't forget the time and the place—

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