

A Mood.
It is good to strive against wind and rain.
In the keen, sweet weather that autumn brings,
The wild horse shakes not the drops from his mane,
The wild bird flicks not the wet from his wings.
In gladder fashion than I too feel,
The mist-dipped gold of my bright hair's gleam.
What time the winds on their heaving wings
And all the tempest's friends with me,
None can reach me to wound or cheer;
Sound of weeping and sound of song—
Neither may trouble me. I can hear,
But the winds' loud laugh, and the sibilant strong.
Lulled to rest through the sapphire weeds
Of rare, dear days, ye are here again!
I will woo ye as maidens are wooed of men—
With words forgotten and broken creed!
Ye shall not lack for the sun's feverish glow,
With the gold of my hair will I make ye glad.
For your brown, red forests give no respiting,
How are my lips still will ye still be sad?
Comfort ye, comfort ye, days of cloud,
Days of shadow, of death, of bliss—
I who love ye as none else, I, who love ye
To welcome me to my home at last!

OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD.
British India still has \$1,400 people being cared for by the relief fund.
The maritime customs revenue of China for 1905 shows an increase of \$2,500,000 over that of 1904.
Australia's primary productions have been unexampled in yield and value during the two years last past.
The Commonwealth of Australia received \$22,900,000 last year for duties on imports, a decrease of \$245,000.
Japan's exports for the ten months ended October amounted to \$126,800,000 and her imports to \$211,200,000.
The trouble in Japan about the Chinese students in that country has been settled, but not without 1000 of them returning to China.
In the first eight days of December Manila harbor received five vessels from across the ocean and twenty-one from coastwise steamers.
Persian exports and imports for the year ended March 30, 1905, show a decrease of \$5,700,000, which is attributed to the troubles in Russia.
New Zealand is to have direct steamship communication with Canada, not less than six trips each way each year. The Government are to give a subsidy of \$50,000 each.
Last summer, owing to floods, 30,000 Japanese in the northeastern Korea fled for fifteen days on one-third rations while building bridges all the time. There was not a murmur of discontent.
The Commonwealth of Australia has prohibited the importation of opium except for medicinal purposes. All the States will lose money by this action. One of them, Queensland, will lose \$80,000 a year.
The State of New South Wales, Commonwealth of Australia, increased its imports in 1905 by \$7,500,000 but it also increased its exports by \$2,000,000, a trade gain of \$5,500,000. That State is prosperous.

NORTH STATE NEWS
Items of Interest Gleaned From Various Sections FROM MOUNTAIN TO SEASHORE
Minor Occurrences of the Week of Interest to Tar Heels Told in Paragraphs.

Charlotte Cotton Market.
These figures represent prices paid to wagons:
Good middling 111½
Strict middling 111½
Middling 111½
Strict low middling 111½
Stains 107½ and 103½

General Cotton Market.
Galveston quiet 111½
New Orleans firm 111½
Mobile easy 111½
Savannah steady 111½
Norfolk steady 111½
Baltimore nominal 111½
New York 111½
Boston quiet 111½
Philadelphia quiet 111½
Houston steady 111½
Augusta quiet and steady 111½
St. Louis quiet 111½
Louisville firm 111½

One Step Forward.
Governor Glenn has received from General Francis A. Macon, Quartermaster General of the State Militia, who was in Washington, D. C., attending the meeting of the National Guard, a telegram, stating that he had made an application to the War Department for battery artillery, and that the request was granted, the battery being obtained free of cost. It will consist of four pieces. The telegram did not state whether the battery was for the field or stationary, but if it is stationary, it will, in all probability, be located at Morehead City, the permanent encampment grounds of the North Carolina National Guard. General Macon told Governor Glenn Wednesday before the latter left Washington for Raleigh, that his speech before the National Guard had left the military authorities in excellent good humor and General Macon declared that on the strength of Governor Glenn's speech he would ask for the battery of artillery which he did, with splendid success.

New Text Books.
The Sub State Text Book Commission, consisting of five members, will meet at Raleigh in June to make recommendations to the State Text Book Commission, which is the State Board of Education as to new text books to be used during the next few years, as the present contract will expire in July. The State Text Book Commission will meet in July and it is hoped to have the books in the depositories before the beginning of the fall term.
Four years ago not one recommendation of the Sub Commission was adopted.

Faison Succeeds Miller.
Greensboro, Special.—The Board of Directors of the Eastern Hospital for the colored insane met at this institution to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Dr. J. F. Miller, the superintendent, and elected Dr. W. W. Faison, who had filled the position of assistant for the past twenty-three years. There was a full meeting of the board, with the exception of one member, who sent a letter advocating the election of Dr. Faison.

Addition to Dormitory.
Greensboro, Special.—At a semi-annual session of the board of trustees of Greensboro Female College, it was decided to build an addition to the dormitory. The school has been crowded the last year and many pupils have been turned away for lack of room. The addition will be in the form of a wing added to the east side of the building and will be erected during the coming summer. The work on the circular front has been nearly completed and it will be opened at an early date. Other routine business was transacted.

Slipped Broke His Leg.
Durham, Special.—Frank Davis, an aged colored man, met death in an unusual manner. He was driving a wagon when the vehicle slipped along the street car track causing him to lose his balance and in the fall his neck was broken. He was dead in five or ten minutes from the time of the fall. The dead man is about eighty years of age.

Negro Leaves Large Estate.
Salisbury, Special.—The will of the late John Mowry, colored, was probated and it reveals a fortune of from \$23,000 to \$35,000. Mr. W. H. White, cashier of the First National Bank, is one of the executors and Rev. F. L. Daniels, colored, is another. The property is to be divided after certain provisions are complied with, equally among his wife and children.

Boy Train Wrecker.
Hickory, Special.—Magistrate J. P. Seitz bound over to Superior Court in the sum of \$200 George Knox, the 12-year-old negro boy on the charge of attempting to wreck No. 12, an east-bound passenger train, in the city limits Sunday evening by putting a piece of 30-inch railroad iron on the track.

A DESPAIRING WOMAN.
Weak, Nervous and Wretched From Wasting Kidney Troubles.
Mrs. Henry A. Beamer, Main and Garst Sts., South Bend, Ind., says:
"When I began using Doan's Kidney Pills I was so weak I could hardly drag myself across the room. I was wretched and nervous, and had headache, bearing-down pain, headache, dizziness and weak eyes. Dropsy set in and bloating of the chest choked me and threatened the heart. I had little hope, but to my untold surprise Doan's Kidney Pills brought me relief and saved my life. I shall never forget it."
Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Proof of Elm Tree's Age.
An elm, said to be over 100 years old, was cut at Bennington, Vt., the other day. When the tree was chopped proof of its age was discovered near the heart in the shape of an old-fashioned hand-forged nail.
Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Ensbury, Vanhook, Ind., Feb. 10, 1905.
Each season Dundee sends her whaling fleet to the Arctic.
To Cure a Cold in One Day Take Ixanthin. Ixanthin Tablets. Druggists refund money for failure to cure. Ixanthin's signature on each box, 25¢.

Dundee is the only port in the British Isles that swims whitehorses.
Cure Blood, Skin Troubles, Cancer, Blood Poison, Greatest Blood Purifier Free.
If your blood is impure, thin, diseased, hot or full of humors, if you have blood poison, cancer, carbuncles, eating sores, scrofula, eczema, itching rashes and lumps, scabies, pimply skin, bone pain, catarrh of the bladder, neuralgia, sciatica, vertigo, tinnitus, headache, nervousness, indigestion, constipation, dizziness, weakness, kidney trouble, the medicine for old people as it gives them new vigorous blood. Druggists, \$1 per large bottle, with directions in home sample, sample free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and special free medical advice also sent in sealed letter. Dr. H. B. is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases of impure blood and skin disease and cures after all else fails.

There is a communion that does not depend on communication.
FITS permanently cured. No fit or unconsciousness after first dose of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. \$2.00 per bottle. Sent by mail. Dr. H. B. Kline, Ltd., 351 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

In London about 400 persons regularly make a living by begging.
A Guaranteed Cure For Piles.
Holding, Blind, Bleeding, Protruding Piles, Druggists are authorized to refund money. Pazo Ointment fails to cure in 6 to 10 days, 50¢.

The annual coal bill of the Pennsylvania Railroad system is \$18,000,000.
Robbed in Church.
Just think what an outrage it is to be robbed of the benefits of the services by continuous coughing throughout the congregation, when Anti-Gripine is guaranteed to cure. Sold everywhere, 25¢. Dr. W. Beemer, H. D., manufacturer, Springfield, Mo.

There has been a great demand for pure bred cattle in Argentina recently.

STOPS BELCHING BY ABSORPTION
—NO DRUGS—A NEW METHOD.
A Box of Wafers Will Cure You Acute Indigestion, Stomach Trouble, In Regular Heart, Biliary Spasms, Short Breath, Gas on the Stomach.
Bitter Taste—Bad Breath—Impaired Appetite—A feeling of fullness, weight and pain over the stomach and heart, sometimes nausea and vomiting, also fever and sick headache?
What causes it? Any one of these: Excessive eating and drinking—abuse of undigested food and by imparting activity to the lining of the stomach, enabling it to thoroughly mix the food with the gastric juices, which promotes digestion and cures the disease. This offer may not appear again.

It stops belching and eases a diseased stomach by absorbing the foul odors from undigested food and by imparting activity to the lining of the stomach, enabling it to thoroughly mix the food with the gastric juices, which promotes digestion and cures the disease. This offer may not appear again.

Send this coupon with your name and address and your druggist's name and 10c in stamps or silver, and we will supply you a sample free if you have never used Mull's Anti-Belch Wafers, and will also send you a certificate good for 25c toward the purchase of more Anti-Belch Wafers. You will receive a sample free for stomach trouble; cures by absorption. Address: Mull's Grape Tonic Co., 328 3d Ave., Rock Island, Ill.

Give Full Address and Write Plainly.
All druggists, 50c per box, or by mail upon receipt of price. Stamps accepted.

There are no pre-determined death-bed repentances.
Taylor's Cherokee Remedy of Sweet Gum and Mullin is Nature's great remedy—Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup and Consumption, and all throat and lung troubles. At Druggists, 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle.

Preaching hell in the spirit of hell will only drive men in that direction.
HEAD COVERED WITH HUMOR.
Bothered With Itching For a Long Time—Keenly Itchy Now Completely Well—Cured by Cuticura.
"After using Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills, I am very glad to say I am entirely relieved of that itching humor of the head and scalp which I was bothered with quite a length of time. I did not use the Cuticura Remedies more than three times before I began to get better, and now I am completely well. I suffered with that humor on my head, and found no relief until I took the Cuticura Remedies. I think I used several cakes of Cuticura Soap, three boxes of Ointment, and two vials of Pills. I am doing all I can to publish the Cuticura Remedies, for they have done me good, and I know they will do others the same. Mrs. Mattie Jackson, Melbourne, Ky., June 12, 1905."

Satan is always a conservative when sin is on the throne.
Rich cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion; nerve fails. Sold by Druggists. Mail orders promptly filled by Dr. Peabody, Crawfordville, Ind. 41.
Cure falls for 4,000,000 tons of coal this year.

Dropsy
CURED GIVES QUICK RELIEF.
Removes all swelling in 10 to 20 days; effects a permanent cure in 10 to 60 days. First treatment free. Nothing to pay later.
Wm. Dr. H. H. Green, S. C., Specialist, Box 3, Atlanta, Ga.

Tumors Conquered Without Operations
Unqualified Success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in Cases of Mrs. Fox and Miss Adams.



One of the greatest triumphs of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the conquering of woman's dread enemy, Tumor.
So-called "wandering pains" may come from its early stages, or the presence of danger may be made manifest by excessive monthly periods accompanied by unusual pain extending from the abdomen through the groin and thighs.
If you have mysterious pains, if there are indications of inflammation, ulceration or displacement, don't wait for time to confirm your fears and go through the horrors of a hospital operation; secure Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once and begin its use and write Mrs. Pinkham of Lynn, Mass., for advice.
Read these strong letters from grateful women who have been cured:
Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—(First Letter)
"In looking over your book I see that your medicine cures tumors. I have been to a doctor and he tells me I have a tumor. I will be more than grateful if you can help me as I do so dread an operation."
Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—(Second Letter)
"I take the liberty to congratulate you on the success I have had with your wonderful medicine.
"Eighteen months ago my periods stopped. Shortly after I felt so badly I submitted to a thorough examination by a physician and was told that I had a tumor and would have to undergo an operation. I soon after read one of your advertisements and decided to give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. After taking five bottles as directed, the tumor is entirely gone. I have never been examined since.
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound; a Woman's Remedy for Women's Ills."

CABBAGE PLANTS, CELERY PLANTS, and all kinds of garden plants, with the most reliable seedsmen. We use the same plants on our 100-acre tract as we do on our 10-acre tract. All plants are grown in the open air and will stand great cold. Crown from seeds of the plant. Price, 10¢ per 100 plants. Large lots \$1.00 per 1000. R. W. Beemer, S. C., Arlington White Soap Co. 100 1/2 St. Paul, N. D. Beemer, S. C., Arlington White Soap Co. 100 1/2 St. Paul, N. D. Beemer, S. C., Arlington White Soap Co. 100 1/2 St. Paul, N. D.
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10¢ for every bottle of leading 10¢ medicine in "Clear" and "Golden" brands. It's worth of Universal Free. BELGIUM'S SEED STORE, BALTIMORE.
So. 5-06.

Charm of Alaska.

"When I tell my friends that in Alaska during the months of June, July and August, we have almost continual sunlight, and that it never gets dark in the summer months, they invariably ask when we sleep?" said a merchant from Council Alaska, recently.
"Well, we sleep whenever we have the opportunity. Very few of us have a regular time of going to bed and arising except the miners, who work in shifts and have to be more methodical."
"In the winter there is practically nothing doing, and the few people who stay here can sleep all they desire."
"But when spring opens up, business flourishes. Everyone has to work all he possibly can, because the summer is very short, and a great deal has to be accomplished to make up for the stagnation during the winter months."
"We have wonderful summers at Council, as I never gets very warm or cold. Several times though, I have seen the thermometer register 90 degrees. The verdure and the brush grow with a rapidity that is astonishing in the warm months. Plants grow so rapidly that we can raise berries and the hardier vegetables before the frost sets in."—Portland Oregonian.

Where Words Fail.

"What is the color 'chattain'?" a certain young man asked a venerable Creole lady, whose hair was white as snow.
She rummaged through her mind for terms of explanation, being a little liable to forget English words at times.
Finally, however, she replied: "Chattain," that is the color of my hair, you understand, when I was young."
And then she smiled with satisfaction at the exact manner in which she had explained the term, while the questioner still wondered what color "chattain" was.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Of Interest to the Housewife.

In the February Delicator there is much of housewife's interest. Isabel Gordon Curtis' helpful household serial called "The Progress of a Housewife" touches upon the kitchen and its utensils. Delicious recipes for onions and cakes and desserts are supplemented by an interesting and instructive article on "Meat and Its Uses," and the pages of Illustrated Cookery are extremely suggestive. Gardening and house furnishing are other topics of particular interest to the home.
Increase Your Yields Per Acre
One Of The Results
of liberally using our fertilizers, is to pay off in a large increase on the old farm. Read the following from the report of Berry & Son, owners of the Magnolia Fruit Farm, Durant, Miss.: "We made 400 tons one acre strawberries, on which your fertilizers were used. Eight years ago we bought this place at \$20 per acre. It was then considered to have been worn out twenty years before, but by liberally using
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SLOAN'S LINIMENT
Is the Best Remedy on Earth. Kills a Spavin Curb or Splint. Very Penetrating. Kills Pain.
DR. EARL S. CLARK, 515 ALBANY STREET, BOSTON, MASS.

The Mist.
A sombre grey enshrouding mist,
Blots out the heather hill,
While late the golden sun has kissed
The deep pink bells at will.
An ancient oak in the grassy steep,
It makes the storm show.
Where blow the billows of the deep,
With silver beetle roar.
I watch this brooding presence, as
It works its will.
Still ever forging on ahead,
With every dawning day,
Like every day that casts about,
A spreading humid light,
Earth's silence shunting out,
Lashes blazes from my sight.
Come here, my friend, draw near and see!
All brightness disappear,
How close it looms, surrounding me,
This dreary curtain of tears,
Mist, ever the veil of sorrow blind,
Flows, rolls the agony main,
Clutch them to the hand, and help me find,
The sunlight once again.
—Anne Odell.

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Are more widely and favorably known than any other brand. Their popularity is due to the uniform quality and flavor of the meat, and to their fine appearance when received from the dealer. Each piece is branded on the rind, "Swift's Premium U. S. Inspected," and wrapped in cheesecloth and white parchment paper.
Look for the brand, "Swift's Premium," when buying ham and bacon.
Swift's Silver Leaf Lard
Is a strictly pure lard, kettle rendered, and put up in 3.5, 10 and 20-pound sealed pails. It is America's Standard Lard, and enjoys a high reputation and an enormous sale.
An Interesting feature of a trip through the Chicago plant is a visit to the soap factory, one of the largest and most complete in this country. There we manufacture numerous toilet and laundry soaps, and washing powders.
Among which are:
Wool Soap, widely and favorably known; for toilet and bath, and washing fine fabrics.
Crown Princess Toilet Soap, highly perfumed.
Swift's Pride Soap, for laundry and household use.
Swift's Pride Washing Powder, unsurpassed for all cleaning purposes.
Swift's Specialties.
Swift's Premium Ham
Swift's Premium Bacon
Swift's Premium Sliced Bacon
Swift's Premium Lard
Swift's Winchester Ham
Swift's Winchester Bacon
Brookfield Farm Sausage
Swift's Silver Leaf Lard
Jewel Lard Compound
Swift's Cotsuset
Swift's Jersey Butterine
Swift's Beef Extract
Swift's Beef Flind
Swift's Premium Milk-Fed Chickens
Swift's Soaps.
Wool Soap
Scented Toilet Soaps
Swift's Pride Soap
Swift's Pride Washing Powder.

Swift & Company

Year 1905 Sales.
The total distributive sales for 1905 exceeded \$200,000,000.
This total is realized from the sale of fresh meats (beef, mutton and pork), provisions, produce (poultry, butter and eggs), soups, glues, oils, bones, fertilizers, feathers, casings, hides, wools, pelts and other by-products derived from cattle, sheep, hogs and poultry.
Margin of Profit.
The industry is operated on a margin of less than 2 cents to each dollar of sales. Swift & Co. do not sell at retail. Their entire output is sold at wholesale to many thousands of dealers in various parts of the world. There are hundreds of local slaughterers throughout the United States, who buy their live stock in competition with the packer doing an interstate and international business. Likewise the packer must sell in competition with the local slaughterers. There are no secret processes in the industry, no complicated and expensive factories, and as live stock can be purchased in almost every hamlet and city, and the preparation of meats is simple in the extreme, local slaughtering will long remain a factor in the production of fresh meats and provisions.
Economic Advantages.
The large packing houses will, however, always have these advantages: Locations at the chief live stock centers, with the opportunity to buy the best live stock; manufacturing in large quantities, at the minimum of expense; utilization of all waste material; refrigeration; mechanical appliances; highly efficient business management. These advantages are reflected in the quality of the packer's output, a quality that has reached its highest development in the products bearing the name and brand of "Swift."
Purchasing Live Stock.
The principal live stock centers are Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Louis, St. Joseph, St. Paul and Fort Worth. The same methods of purchasing cattle, sheep and hogs prevail at all cities. At Chicago, which is the largest market, there are about two hundred and fifty buyers, representing packers, local slaughterers in various cities, and exporters. Of this number, less than a score are employed by Swift & Company.
The farmer ships his live stock to Chicago, consigns them to a commission firm at the Union Stock Yards, who sees that they are unloaded and put in pens. Then the buyers inspect them, make their offers to the commission dealer, who accepts or rejects as his judgment dictates. All buying must be finished at 3 o'clock each day, and the buyer must pay spot cash. If the commission man has no satisfactory offers, he can hold his stock over to the next day. He gets his commission from the farmer, and naturally strives to get the highest possible price for his client.
Wholesale Distributing Houses.
A wholesale distributing house is a giant refrigerator, but instead of shelves there are trolley rails, from which are suspended hooks to hang the carcasses. Some of the houses cost as much as a hundred thousand dollars to build and equip. As a rule they are of pressed brick, the insides being lined—floor, walls and ceiling—with highly polished hardwood. The floors are covered daily with fresh sawdust and all are kept spotlessly clean. There are over three hundred of these wholesale houses in various cities of the United States, and the public is always welcome to visit them.
Packing Plants.
All the Swift & Company plants are located at the great live stock markets, in the heart of the great agricultural sections, where can be purchased the finest grades of cattle, sheep and hogs. We have seven packing plants, employing at each from two to eight thousand persons.
The following gives the locations and sizes of the different plants:

Packing Plants.	Buildings, Acres.	Floor Space, Sq. Ft.	Land, Acres.
Chicago	44 1/2	875,000	47
Kansas City	78	30	19 1/2
Omaha	6	26	25
St. Louis	7 1/2	195	31 1/2
St. Joseph	6 1/2	254	19 1/4
St. Paul	5	12	16
Fort Worth	3	15	22

Employes.
The total number of persons employed in all the Swift packing plants and branch houses aggregate over 20,000 persons. Conditions for employes in the various manufacturing and operating departments is continually improving with the construction of new buildings and the installation of new and up-to-date equipment.
Sanitation and Hygiene.
The housewife makes no greater effort to keep her kitchen clean than we do to keep in sanitary and hygienic condition our slaughterers. They are thoroughly scrubbed at the close of each day's operations, and automatic appliances are used wherever possible in order to eliminate the personal handling of meats. Rigid rules governing these points are strictly enforced; laxity means dismissal.
Visitors Always Welcome.
No other industry in the world gives such a cordial welcome to visitors as Swift & Co. We keep open house year around, and maintain a corps of specially trained guides, with special elevators and rest rooms. In one year we have entertained over a quarter of a million of men and women; in one day—Grand Army Day, 1901—we entertained 23,000. Among our visitors have been ambassadors from foreign governments, princes, noblemen, and distinguished citizens from all lands and eminent folks from every state in the Union. We wish to familiarize the public with our methods, and the best way to do that is to let the public see for itself. We have no secret processes or methods in any department.
Swift's Premium Hams and Bacon.
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