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FORTUNES ON TREES.

Orchards in the Northwest Which Yield Profits of \$1,000 an Acre.

Technical World.

In the Rogue river valley in southern Oregon F. H. Hopkins in 1907 made a profit of \$19,000 off sixteen acres of winter Nelis pears—\$1,187.50 an acre. In the same valley G. H. Hover bought ten acres of pear orchard at \$500 an acre. Fifteen months later the crop brought him \$9,600.

Eight years ago J. L. Dumass set out fifty acres of apples near Dayton in the Walla Walla district of southeastern Washington. In the summer of 1907 he bought fifty acres of apple orchard adjoining the property at an investment of \$18,000. The apples he picked from these fifty acres that season sold for \$16,000 and the total crop from the hundred acres realized \$52,000—a return to the owner of \$34,000.

A climate and soil that are capable of rearing such monsters as the red-wink trees and the sequoias, which render measurements of vegetable growth in other regions of this country puny and scant, account in part for these bewildering figures.

But there are obscure valleys, narrow and diminutive, more pockets, between huge mountains, where in the past no plant worthy of cultivation has found so much as a foothold. And it is in many just such spots as these that the returns are the hugest. Irrigation, in such cases, is the remaining factor that explains the mystery.

The same magazine tells us a remarkable story of the success of two women who tried farming in England. They began with five acres in Berkshire, but found they had too much land, so they cut down their holdings to less than half that amount.

The teachers of the women were a French gardener and his family, who with an acre of land in France, sold \$25,000 worth of produce in a year.

"In a bare ploughed field stands a square palisade of zinc plates enclosing about three-quarters of an acre," writes a visitor to the farm. "The ground is all covered with inverted bell glasses of the kind known in Europe as clochers. Under each bell at the time this writer visited the farm were five lettuce. Lettuces were growing around the bells and other vegetables sown broadcast were coming up everywhere. Every inch of the soil bears at least three crops a year, each of them anticipating the season and therefore producing fancy prices."

Husband—I'm afraid I'm becoming cross eyed, my dear Wife.—The ideal! Why do you think that? Husband—This thing of trying to look at my income and our expenses at the same time is slowly but surely getting its work in.

Mr. Joe F. Cannon was recently elected Vice President of the Cannon Manufacturing Company.

THE SINGING MOUSE.

In Uncle Remus' Magazine is a letter from one of the Magazine's subscribers telling of a marvelous vocalist, a singing mouse. Here is the tale, be it true or nature fake:

Suddenly in the night, as I lay awake, I heard a few notes, sweet and clear, yet low and faltering, as if the singer were uncertain of his power, and feared to let his voice out to its full. It was very like the song of a bird—a caged bird, that, dreaming of sky and stream and forest, sings in his sleep, with head tucked beneath a wing, thus muffling the sound.

"A hush came the truth to me: I was being serenaded by that rare-ly-heard musician, the 'singing mouse'!" Long ago I had read of him, but had never before hoped to be honored by a serenade from the shyest of singers; be sure that I lay perfectly quiet and listened intently.

I found his song just what it had been described as being, very much like the canary's, only more soft and sweet, altogether unmarred by harsh, shrill notes. The writer of the interesting account of the singing mouse claimed that the creature is no strange species, but only the common house mouse that has either inherited the gift of song or learned the art from older members of his race. It is supposed that originally the accomplishment was learned from canaries, and this seems probable as singing mice are more often found in houses where there are canaries. That they do learn the song from each other, and also that it is hereditary, is proved by the fact that if one is heard in a house others are likely to make themselves known from time to time, even unto many generations.

As for my own pet, he came every night for several weeks, invariably between 1 and 2 o'clock. Always he faltered a little at first, but afterwards, becoming more sure of himself, would let his voice out fully, singing with the pure abandon of enjoyment. The first few nights I was afraid to arouse my mother, who slept in the same room but in another bed, lest the little fellow might cease if I should speak. But after the first two or three solos I ventured to call her, and he was not without pause as if his ears were closed to all save his own musical notes. After that, at her request, I would always call mother when the entertainment began, and never once did the mouse become silent at the sound of my voice.

I wish I might say he sings for me still, but he died natural death, fell a victim to some hungry member of the feline tribe, or wandered away to parts unknown in search of a new audience—but finding nowhere a more appreciative one, I am sure—it is not given me to record. But the memory of his sweet song abides with me, and

"Off in the still night" I think of it, and of him, and in my heart I thank him for the delightful pleasure he gave me, "without money and without price."

MARGARET A. RICHARD.
Newberry, S. C.

Bad Symptoms.

The woman who has periodical headaches, backaches, sea-sickness, dizziness, spots or specks floating or dancing before her eyes, has gnawing distress or heavy full feeling of stomach, faint spells, dragging-down feeling in lower abdominal or pelvic region, easily startled or excited, irregular or painful periods, with or without pelvic catarrh, is suffering from weakness and derangements that should have early attention. Not all of these symptoms are likely to be present in any case at one time.

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MANY DESERTED WIVES.

One of the Results of the Recent Hard Times For Wage-Earners.

New York Evening Post.

An epidemic of wife-desertion has struck the poorer districts of this city, according to reports which the Children's Aid Society has received from its visitors in the eight districts where the society maintains its branch stations of the sick Children's Mission. One visitor has found twelve deserted wives in one neighborhood within a month. The reason for these desertions, as explained by this visitor, Mrs. Edith K. MacArthur, of the East Eighty-eighth street station, is "hard times." Mrs. MacArthur takes her assertion upon a comparison of the conditions in her neighborhood before the financial panic which threw hundreds of its residents out of work, and the conditions which exist there now.

"Where last year," she said, "I found only one or two cases of deserted wives in my district, I have stumbled across a dozen in one month. When it is considered that the recent cases were revealed only by a superficial inspection of part of my territory, the situation becomes appalling."

The district in which Mrs. MacArthur's station is situated stretches from Sixty-sixth Street to One Hundredth street, and from Second Avenue to the East River.

Immediately relief is tendered the sufferers, and, whenever possible, the deserted wives are put to work. The work of the society along these lines, however, has been badly handicapped this year by lack of funds as the regular work of the society—the care of the children of the poor—has increased to such proportions owing to the hard times, that the additional relief work of helping deserted wives can only be met by extra contributions.

The Hazing at A. & M. Will Not Stop.

Statesville Landmark.

In conversation with a newspaper man at Asheville a few days ago, Dr. Hill, the new president of the A. & M. College, being asked about hazing, said the faculty had always been rigidly opposed to hazing, but that unless the student body extended its sympathy and gave its aid the powerless, to a certain extent, powerless to suppress hazing.

Continuing Dr. Hill said it was the purpose of the faculty to inaugurate higher classes, the junior and senior classes—to take charge of hazing and deal with all cases that arise, however, under the supervision of the faculty.

"The plan was tried after the trouble last year," said the A. & M. president, "and worked very satisfactorily, several students being expelled."

All of which confirms the Landmark's first impressions—that there is little reason to expect reform in the hazing matter from Dr. Hill.

Whenever the president of a college admits that the faculty is powerless to control the student body, the student body may be expected to engage in riotous conduct whenever the faculty, being asked about hazing, are some instances in which the toughs in the college feel so disposed; and really it is a poor recommendation for a college president to say that it means, if it means anything, that he is not the man for the job.

Quits in Disgust.

Commissioner Watson, of South Carolina, says he has waked up from his dream of solving the domestic servant problem in this section, which is steadily growing more acute, by instituting foreign white servants for the negroes.

"I'm done with the job," said Mr. Watson with a sigh. "There's no use. I will make no more attempts at least for the present to bring white servants to any part of the State. Conditions will not warrant further attempts along this line. There are some instances in which the experiments have proved successful, in which both sides continue satisfied, but these are few and far between. The chief trouble is the matter of pay. People in this State are unwilling to pay the increased price for white help. They'll start out with a thorough understanding of what they are to pay, and begin right away bragging on the relief they are getting, and everything will work lovely till pay day, when there is a grand split-up and the jig is all up."

Friends of Governor Glenn are interested in a story that comes from Atlanta, to the effect that the Home Missions department of the Southern Presbyterian church has made a proposition for him to enter the service of the board as a field worker when he retires from the governorship.

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A VALUABLE ACCESSION.

Charlotte Observer.

The New York World comes into camp, not precipitately, as if chased by a bear, but with stately step and dignity. "The World," it says, speaking for itself, "has sharply disagreed with Mr. Bryan and the Democratic party in the past. It has upheld them whenever they represented true Democracy. It has opposed their Populism and Socialism. It has nothing to retract, defend or excuse. It responds now to the merits and demands of a Cause rather than to the claims of any man or any machine. Independently and firmly, voluntarily and conscientiously, and with a keen appreciation of its own responsibility to the public, The World, confronted on one side by Rooseveltism and Roosevelt's proxy and on the other by Democracy and Mr. Bryan, has no hesitation in saying that within the limits of true Democracy, the Democratic ticket is entitled to the full Democratic vote."

Colonel Watterston has complained that there is no paper in New York to give utterance to the Democratic sentiment of the East. That can no longer be said. In The World it has a powerful mouth-piece, one of great circulation and great influence, and it has in The Staats Zeitung, the great German paper, an ally which, proportioned to its sphere, is of even greater power, for from it the German-American population takes its opinions. The Bryan cause is no longer without representation in New York; it could not wish for better; and the terms in which The World commits itself are such in point of conservatism and reserve, and marked by such evident sincerity, as to give the greater weight to its future words in behalf of the Cause and the ticket. In its surrender the party throughout the country has reason to rejoice.

Some Sayings of Lincoln.

I think God must love the common people because he made so many of them.

Men are not flattered by being shown that there has been a difference of purpose between the Almighty and them.

Trusting in Him who can go with me and remain with you and be everywhere for good, let us confidently hope that all will yet be well.

The occasion is piled high with difficulties, and we must rise with the occasion.

We shall nobly save or meanly lose the last best hope of earth.

Never Pull in Your Sign.

Peter Cooper.

In all the towns where a newspaper is published every man should advertise in it, if nothing more than a card stating his name and business he is engaged in. It nearly always pays the advertiser and besides lets the people at a distance know that the town in which you reside is a prosperous community of business men and that the people may settle in it with a chance of making a living. Never pull in your sign in a home paper while you expect to do business.

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