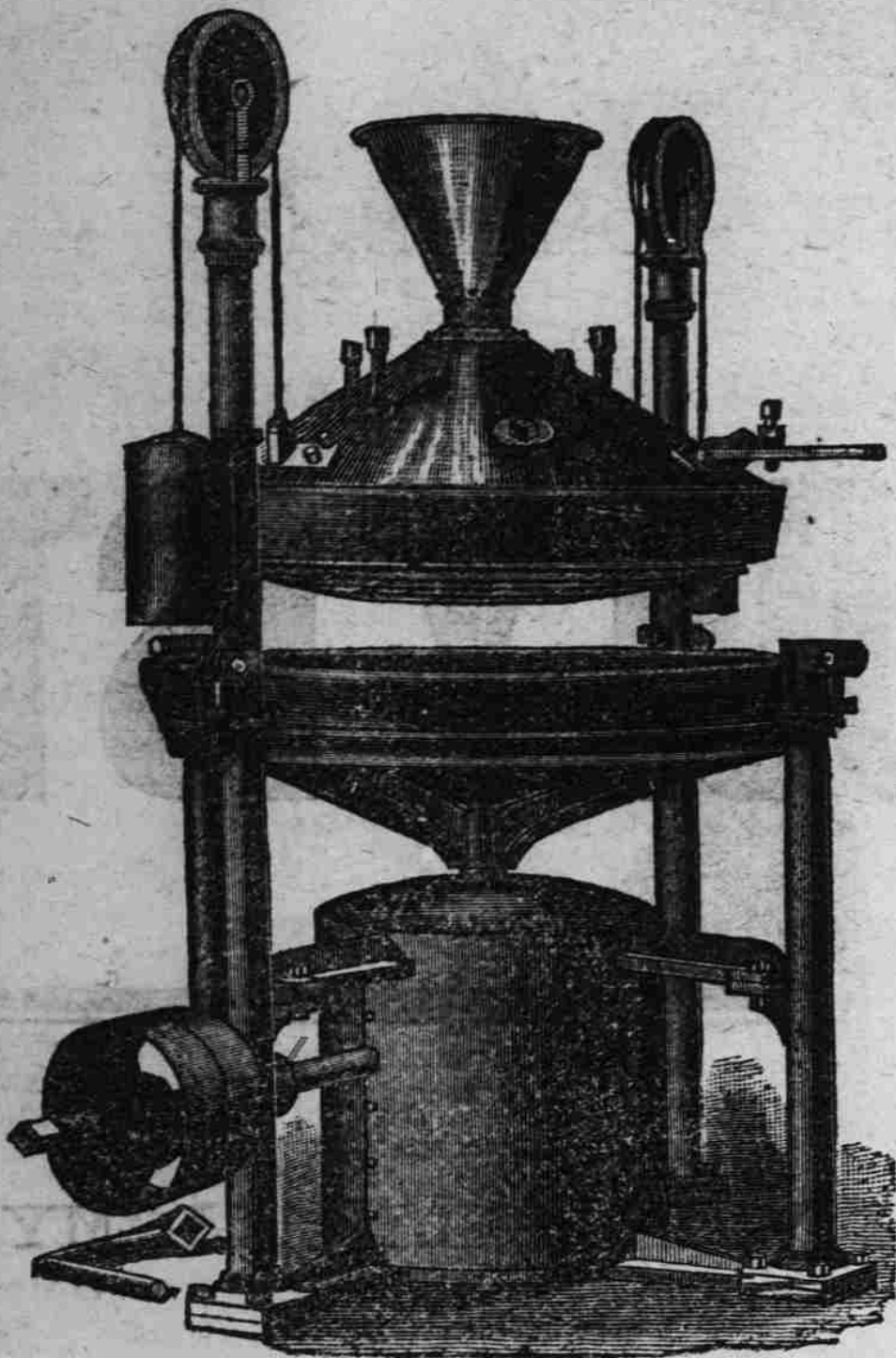


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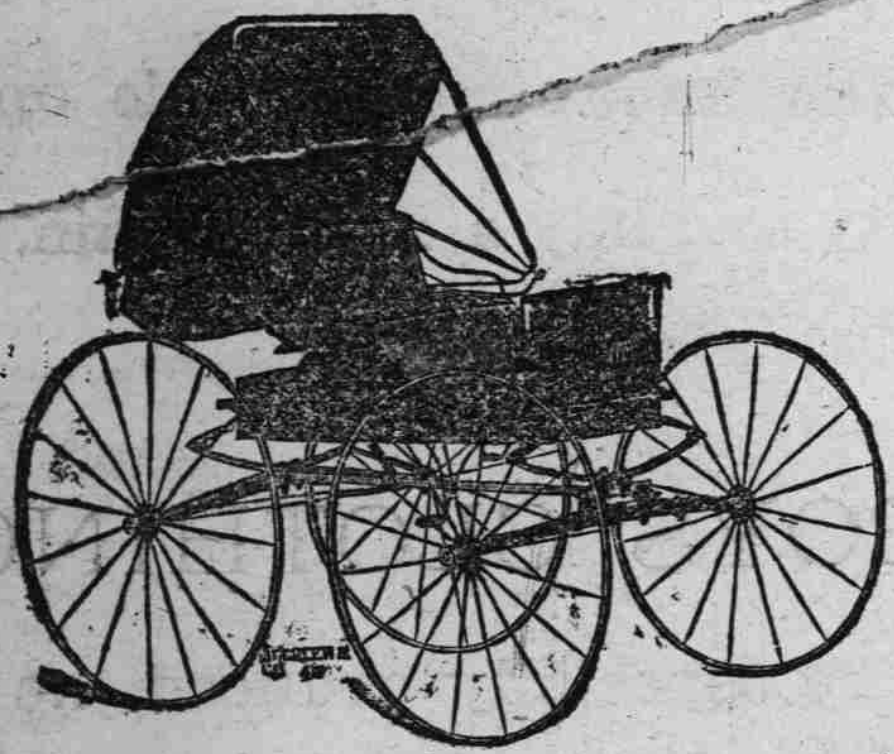
## DESCRIPTION.

The ore to be treated passes by means of an automatic feed through the hopper in the stationary disk, the bottom of which is covered with a series of broken riffles. Directly beneath this disk is a revolving pan containing a reservoir of quicksilver, and when the apparatus is set in motion the disk is lowered to within 1/16th of an inch of the bottom of the revolving pan, upon bottom of which the quicksilver spreads and forms a wall round the periphery. A very thin stream of water suffices to moisten the sand or ore as it falls through the hopper into the center of the pan, where it is forced backwards and forwards between and under the riffles; by this process the gold is freed from the sand or quartz by difference in specific gravity, and so brightens that it will immediately amalgamate in coming in contact with the mercury, itself kept bright by the action of the riffles. Any particles not taken up on the surface of the pan are caught by the wall of quicksilver formed around the periphery by centrifugal force.

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## Self Help for Southern Farmers.

(New York South.)

A careful reader of the Southern papers will recognize two distinct classes of reports as to the general welfare of the people. If he takes up the journals coming from the mining or manufacturing sections, or from the cities that are the principal trade centers, he will find evidences of immense activity, of new enterprises being started almost daily, of increase of plant in established factories, of extensive building, and above all, of the rapid sale of property at constantly rising values. The generalizations based on these facts represent the whole Southern country as entering upon a boom, the chief cities being only points of intensity of a movement prevailing the whole of the "New South," as it is called. Should he take up a paper representing an agricultural community, he may find a quite different story. The vim and rush of a new era may be denied, the "New South" may be unrecognized, he may be told that except in a few favored spots, the people are no better off than they were ten or twenty years ago, and it may possibly be added that there is little hope of improvement in the future.

It is hard to reconcile these conflicting accounts, yet each is measurably true in its way. There is no doubt about the increased prosperity of the South, the development of mineral wealth, the growth of manufactures, and the improvement in the general condition around the centers of activity. It may be stated also that in many agricultural sections, by the introduction of improved methods, by the diversification of crops, and by attention to stock raising, dairying, etc., a great change for the better has been wrought. But in many districts purely agricultural the state of things is wholly different. The cotton planters are poor, and what is worse, they are in debt. The causes of their poverty and indebtedness, we may say, work in a circle. Their poverty causes their indebtedness and their indebtedness keeps them poor. The unraised crop is pledged to the merchant for the means of raising it and of sustenance, and, inasmuch as cotton is the money crop, the farmer feels bound to raise all the cotton he can, to the neglect of everything else. Added to this, goods bought on credit, as everyone knows, are bought in the dearest market. It is no wonder that where such a state of things prevails the people are poor and hopeless. It is the merchant and not the planter who realizes the profit of cotton raising.

There is no royal road out of this condition, or any way that we see except by the efforts of the planters themselves. They must get out of debt, and must be prepared to make any sacrifice in order to do this. There are two main lines to be followed: the first that of strict economy, practised by all who wish either to rid themselves of obligations or to reach competence. It is not likely that Southern farmers or their families are much given to extravagance, but still there is always a tendency under the credit system to the buying of some superfluous things, because pay-day is deferred. A strenuous effort must be made to bring the expenses within the narrowest living limits, so that the merchant's bill is diminished. The other way is by becoming as nearly as possible self-supporting. The conditions of farming require this. The man who grows cotton alone has to pay exorbitant prices for all sorts of supplies that otherwise might be produced with only the expense of his labor. Farther, the neglect of the grass crop and stock raising impoverishes the soil, making it necessary to resort to expensive artificial fertilizers. For prosperity, there must be an approach to the old-fashioned plan, which made the farm yield the bulk of the necessities of life for man and beast; field and garden crops, sheep, oxen, swine and poultry, contributing to the income in cash or in kind. Well does the Memphis Appeal ask: "What is a farm without milk and butter, and chickens and eggs, and home-made hams and bacon?" Yet the Appeal is forced to add: "There are many such, who are sorry to say; many farms where milk is seldom seen and butter never; where condensed milk is a staple at breakfast, dinner and supper." It is easy to see how the bill mounts up when so many articles come from the store that might come from the home larder, and when the very feed for the stock is bought instead of home-grown. It annually swallows up the crop of cotton, if no more, and the end of the season finds the farmer no better off than at the beginning, if he is not actually in debt.

It is clear that in the sections where the agricultural interest is languishing, no influence from outside can be looked to as substitute for the line of action recommended to the farmers. They must help themselves. The effort is painful and the exertion and sacrifices demanded are great, but if only a little headway is made each year, the after-work will grow easier and easier. Self help is the best gospel to

## The Sin of Over-Work.

The woman who spends her life in unnecessary labor, is by this very labor unfitted for the higher duties of home. She should be the haven of rest to whom both children and husband turn for both rest and refreshment. She should be the careful, intelligent adviser and guide of the one and the tender confidant of the other. How is it possible for a woman exhausted in body, and, as a natural consequence in mind also, to perform either of these offices? It is not possible. The constant strain is too great. Nature gives way beneath it. She loses health and spirit and hopefulness, and more than all, her youth, the last thing a woman should allow to slip from her; for no matter how old she is in years, she should be young in heart and feeling, for the youth of age is sometimes more attractive than youth itself.

To the overworked woman this green old age is out of the question. Her disposition is often ruined, her temper soured, her very nature changed by the burden which, too heavy to carry, is only dragged along. Even her affections are blunted, and she becomes merely a machine—a woman without time to be womanly, a mother without time to train and guide her children, a wife without the time to sympathize with and cheer her husband, a woman so overworked during the day that when night comes her sole thought and intense longing are for the rest and sleep that will probably not come, and even if they should that she is too tired to enjoy. Better by far let every duty go unfinished, and live as best she can than entail on herself and family the curse of overwork.

There are large numbers of United States pensioners of foreign birth residing abroad whose money is drawn for them through our consulates. In Germany alone there are 39,000 residents whose names are born on our pension roll. This money goes to men who have practically reverted to their foreign allegiance, and who have entirely ceased to be part and parcel of this country. Some examinations that have been made by the present administration have disclosed incidents of gross fraud in drawing these foreign pensions. It is noted that longevity is greatly promoted by the native air of these stipendiaries. Deaths are rarely reported among them. In many instances frauds by substitution have occurred.

## Assistant Secretary Thompson's Success.

(Augusta Chronicle.)

Southern ability is conspicuously holding its own in the department at Washington. In every grade, whether high or low, our ladies and gentlemen are doing their full duty. In the treasury department it is no small compliment that in the absence of Mr. Fairchild, the secretary, ex-Governor Hugh S. Thompson, assistant secretary, has been permanently designated as acting secretary with full charge of the great department. Governor Thompson has proven himself a very able and efficient man, and he has won his spurs as a strong, broad administrative officer. He is alike mastered the endless details and the large theories of colossal finance. He is a singularly clear-headed person, very direct, with an inexhaustible fund of courtesy and tact. He has made hosts of friends here and enjoys a universal respect.

## Ninety-two kinds of Birds.

We saw in the museum at the university of North Carolina last week ninety-two specimens of different kinds of North Carolina birds. They were killed near Chapel Hill and stuffed by Prof. Holmes. The varied and bright plumage was really wonderful to behold, and the neat manner in which the birds were "put up" reflects great credit upon the professor. Who ever thought there were as many as ninety-two different kinds of birds in North Carolina?—[Charlotte Home Democrat.]

Occasionally one sees a gleam of the sense of fitness in the most unexpected quarter. A story is related of a bleak and bony old Scotch duchess, who, not being able to secure a certificate of ill-health from the court physician, which would enable her to wear a high-throated gown, appeared at the Queen's drawing-room in a low-necked dress, worn over her long-sleeved, high-necked merino undershirt. The vigorous old Scotch woman declared she'd not show her ancient bones, not for the whole royal family. And 'tis said the Prince of Wales upheld her.

Our English alliterative triumph is the following line, composed by a young lady in the year 1800, on the occasion of a gentleman of the name of Lee planting a lane with lilacs: "Let lovely lilacs line Lee's lonely lane," in which not only every word, but every syllable commences with the same letter.

A resident of this city recently returned the blank sent him under the personal property tax, with the following endorsement: "Gold and silver I have none, Spent long ago for women and rum; Silver plate and watches in pawn, My property real and personal gone? Whoever thought to this it would come? Nobody now, but an American bum."

## A Fiery Mountain.

A special from Hermosillo, A. T. says: Explorers sent out by Governor Torres to ascertain the existence of the volcano reported near Baviste, Sonora, have returned. They report an active volcano fourteen miles south of Baviste, in the Sierra Madre Mountains.

The party could not approach nearer than within four miles of the mountains. The crater was pouring forth immense volumes of smoke fire and lava. Boiling water issued from the side of the mountain, and lava in vast waves slowly poured down the mountain side into the canyons, which are being filled up.

The boiling water had destroyed all the vegetation in the valleys in the vicinity. One peculiar feature of the volcano is its great activity. Boulders weighing tons are hurled down from the crater. The exploring party say the noise proceeding from the mountain is most terrific, like a number of engines at work, accompanied by sounds of thunder. The air is dense with smoke and cinders. The party had great difficulty in approaching within four miles of the mountains, owing to the great chasms made by the earthquake, and all the roads and trails are totally wiped out.

The country is fearfully broken up. Within ten miles of the volcano the town of Baviste is a complete ruin. The people have all moved out on the high plains and are living in tents and in mortal fear. There are constant tremors and a continual series of shocks.

Orthodoxy must still be taught at Andover Theological Seminary; the Board of Visitors having just decreed that President Smyth should be deposed from his professorship of Eccelesiastical History and the Presidency of the Faculty, the charges of heresy having been considered proved. The professors, four in number, against whom similar charges were brought will be suffered to remain, the charges not having been sustained. It is said that, being sustained by the Board of Trustees, President Smyth will continue to discharge the duties of his professorship.

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| " Philadelphia    | 7:20 am 6:07 pm   |
| " Baltimore       | 9:45 am 9:42 pm   |
| " Washington      | "11:24" 11:00 pm  |
| " Charlottesville | 5:35 am 5:00 pm   |
| " Lynchburg       | 5:50 pm 5:05 am   |
| " Richmond        | 3:00 pm 2:30 am   |
| " Burkeville      | 5:02 pm 4:25 am   |
| " Keyville        | 5:45 pm 5:04 am   |
| " Drake's Branch  | 6:01 pm 5:21 am   |
| " Danville        | 8:50 pm 8:05 am   |
| " Greensboro      | 10:44 pm 9:45 am  |
| " Goldsboro       | 12:30 am 10:16 pm |
| " Raleigh         | 5:30 pm 1:00 am   |
| " Durham          | 6:57 pm 3:27 am   |
| " Chapel Hill     | "11:30" 7:55 am   |
| " Hillsboro       | 7:15 pm 3:32 am   |
| " Salem           | 4:20 pm 5:30 am   |
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| " Asheville       | 5:58 pm           |
| " Hot Springs     | 7:35 pm           |
| Lv. Concord       | 1:26 am 11:59 pm  |
| " Charlotte       | 2:25 am 1:00 pm   |
| " Spartanburg     | 5:36 am 3:21 am   |
| " Greenville      | 6:50 am 4:45 pm   |
| Ar. Atlanta       | 1:20 pm 10:40 pm  |

| DAILY.            |                   |
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| Northbound.       | No 51   No 53     |
| Lv. Atlanta       | 7:00 pm 8:40 am   |
| Ar. Greenville    | 1:04 am 3:34 pm   |
| " Spartanburg     | 2:19 am 5:46 pm   |
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| " Concord         | 6:01 am 7:25 pm   |
| " Salisbury       | 6:45 am 8:01 pm   |
| " High Point      | 7:56 am 9:13 pm   |
| " Greensboro      | 8:28 am 9:40 pm   |
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