

A \$400 Player Piano to be given to some Alexander Girl. See our proposition on this page

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YOUR POCKETBOOK

demands that you go where you can get the most for your money.

YOUR BETTER JUDGMENT

tells you to go where the goods are of the best quality.

WE CAN meet both arguments

with a specially selected line of merchandise at prices that command your attention. GIVE US A CHANCE to prove it.

THE BEE HIVE

A Case of Waste.

When we buy at 25 cents a pound a strip of bacon or a ham that we might raise at home for 10 cents a pound, what goes with the 15 cents a pound difference? The man who grew meat and the middle man get it, you say. Quite true, but in so far as you and I are concerned, does not this 15 cents a pound represent waste? Might we not as well throw the money in the fire and be done with it?

Then how about the fellow who buys canned stuff instead of getting it from his own garden and orchard; who buys corn, hay, lard, syrup and even butter? This is pitiful waste—waste that has too long held the South in bondage to the supply merchant and the farmers of the North and West.—Progressive Farmer.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal medicine. Halls' Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Halls' Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients in what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Halls' Catarrh Cure, 641 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

War Money.

The European war is now being financed on what may well be called a colossal scale. The Philadelphia Public Ledger refers to Great Britain's new loan of \$5,000,000,000 as "the greatest in all history for any purpose." The magnitude of this loan is considered a reminder to all belligerents, and especially to the foe, that England "is prepared to wage this conflict to a definite conclusion, no matter what the time and no matter what the cost." The Public Ledger also refers to the financing by France in a way by which that country may keep its gold and yet provide all the cash needed for the purchase of war munition. The French plan has been mentioned in this paper. The French bankers are purchasing millions of American securities which are owned by the French people, and these securities will be sent to the United States where they will be used as collateral for borrowing money that will go back to Paris. By this plan the foreign market will be maintained on a steady basis. The Public Ledger sees in this French transaction the releasing of a large amount of idle funds and the starting of still more American wheels, with the consequent filling of pay envelopes for thousands of American workmen.—Charlotte Observer.

A \$400 SELF PLAYER PIANO

will be given

Absolutely Free

to the young lady in Alexander County securing the greatest number of votes in our

Voting Contest

which began on

Monday, June 14th, 1915.

Here are the terms and conditions which make it possible for some young lady to secure this valuable prize:

Each yearly subscription counts 100 votes.

Persons not now taking The Scout may subscribe and pay for a term of one or two years, but no longer.

Present subscribers can renew or extend their subscriptions for one or two years, but no longer.

Subscriptions may be taken anywhere in the United States or Canada.

Every dollar paid on this contest must be accompanied by the name of some person to whom the Scout is to be sent for a term of one or two years. In other words, no money will be received without a subscription.

Any one wishing to place a friend in the contest can do so by paying one dollar for a subscription to The Mountain Scout. This gives your candidate 100 votes to start with. Then bring in every subscription you can secure and watch the standing of the contestants in the Scout each week.

A candidate can enter at any time and withdraw at any time; but one candidate will not be allowed to transfer her votes to another candidate.

Every subscription taken in this contest will be entered in a book kept for this purpose, with the name of the candidate for whom the votes are cast. This book will be kept open for examination by any of the candidates or their friends. The contest will be conducted with absolute fairness to all.

The Piano is now on exhibition at the

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