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EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

OBSERVATIONS ON PASSING EVENTS.

High Prices Prevail.

IT NOW looks like high prices for almost everything will prevail this year. Labor is high, provisions are high and every thing is pitched to a high key. This being true it will require careful management and a most rigid economy on the part of those who buy much to keep their affairs in good shape. A condition which makes high prices necessary gives the appearance of prosperity; and if high prices prevail on all sides there is not so much objection. But there is chance for being deceived by them, and this should make all careful in financial affairs.

State Liquor Question.

IT CAN not be denied that the good people of North Carolina are now interested in matters pertaining to the liquor traffic as they never have been before. In almost every part of the State there comes a demand for legislation that will give the people some relief from the scourges and evils of the liquor business. The Legislature will most certainly do some positive work for the relief of the people. This seems now to be the biggest question before the people.

About Better Roads.

THERE is a general question amongst the people as to whether or not the Legislature will pass any important law for the improvement of the public roads of the State. There is no more pressing need for the welfare of the State and its general development than for better roads; but it is a problem which will be hard to solve. There are so many different kinds of soil in the State and such abundance of one kind of material and such scarcity of another, it will be hard to make any general law apply alike to every part of the State. There is one feature of the road question for Eastern Carolina that is easier of solution than many seem to have yet realized, and that is the matter of drainage. If the roads in this eastern section were thoroughly well drained and put in the proper shape, it would be comparatively easy to keep them in good condition. The Legislature will have the sympathy of the people generally in whatever effort they may make for road improvements.

Let it be Remembered.

THIS is the time of year when the wise farmer lays his plans for the year's crops. Perhaps no class of men have had given them so much free advice as the farmers, and perhaps no people have been slower in certain cases to heed the advice that has been given them. Doubtless the farmer grows tired sometimes at reading the many suggestions and bits of advice which editors and others give him. However, we venture again to suggest, as we have done many times before, that no farmer can succeed as a farmer unless he makes his farm self-sustaining. To be more definite, the farmer who makes a money crop to the exclusion of supplies for his farm, will soon find himself falling behind. Thousands and thousands have tried it, and almost to a man they have, in the end, more or less failed. Let every farmer use wise discretion in this year 1903 by planning and planting such crops as will give a full amount of home supplies. This done, the farmers will succeed, this neglected, they will fail.

About Country Postoffices.

EVER and anon there comes serious complaint from persons in the rural districts about the poor service in country postoffices. In some cases the mails are handled very carelessly and many persons in the country who take only one paper are frequently deprived of any reading whatever for a week because of a failure on the part of the postmaster to promptly deliver mail. Then in some cases the country postoffices seem to be managed by persons who are incompetent. A man from the country recently made complaint to his local paper that he could not get the paper more than three-fourths of the time and so discontinued it. It seems that the postmaster at his office keeps a store; and the complaining subscriber said that he has seen the postmaster tear the wrapper from a newspaper and deliberately give it to some one who was not entitled to it. He thought that perhaps his own paper was so disposed of sometimes and so had it discontinued. The postal service is a matter that concerns every citizen of the land and ought to be handled very carefully.

Lemon Juice Kills Typhoid.

Chicago Dispatch. That lemon juice will destroy the typhoid germs in water is announced authoritatively by the Chicago Health Department after careful experiments extending over three days. One teaspoonful of the juice to half a glass of water is known to be a good combination, and repeated trials have invariably produced the same result. Every germ was killed.

Further tests will be made at once to ascertain how small an amount of lemon juice will destroy the bacilli. Dr. Reynolds is also investigating the properties of manufactured citric acid. If the acid will take the place of the lemon a great saving will be accomplished, for it is inexpensive as compared with lemons.

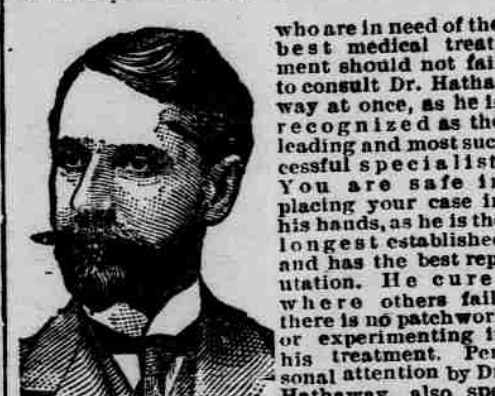
The action of the lemon juice is to cause the bacilli to shrivel up and die. Their power to produce this poison which causes typhoid is thus destroyed, and water which in its original state was highly dangerous to drink becomes as innocuous as if it had been distilled.

The investigations and announcement of the Chicago health authorities are the result of an announcement made on Christmas day by Dr. Asa Ferguson, who announced that the lemon juice was a deadly foe to typhoid. It has long been known that certain acids would kill the bacilli, but their effects also was to kill human beings. The harmless acid in lemons was entirely overlooked until Dr. Ferguson chanced to drop a little lemon juice into a culture tube containing typhoid germs. To his amazement he discovered that they died almost immediately, and he at once began further experiments, which resulted in the announcement of the discovery.

Eggs in Winter.

Selected. At a New York State farmers' institute the reader of an essay on poultry gave his method of feeding to get eggs in winter. Take one part of corn and two parts of oats and have them ground together quite fine. To 200 pounds of this add 100 pounds of ground wheat or of bran and middlings. To ten quarts of this mixture add one quart of animal meal and moisten with skim-milk if you have it. Feed this in the morning in V shaped troughs, giving as much as they will eat in fifteen minutes, and gather up what is left at that time. At noon give green feed of cabbage, beets or turnips cut up. An hour later give light feed of small grains scattered in chaff or straw. The night feed at 3:30 p. m., is equal parts of wheat, oats and corn scattered in the straw, so that they will work until dark to find it. Keep oyster shells where they can pick them when they please. Have dust bath of road or coal ashes for them and provide plenty of fresh water. Use kerosine oil on the roosts and insect powder in the nests. With early hatched pullets or young hens through their molt this gives eggs all winter.

Men and Women



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The Foundation of Crime.

Augusta Herald. A question that has been asked over the many years and that will probably continue to be asked as long as the sons of Cain inhabit the earth is, what peculiar conditions of birth and environment tend most to create criminals?

The reply generally given is that vice begets vice, and that the child who is reared under evil influence or is born of criminal parents is most apt to lead a sinful life. While wickedness may have a certain amount of contagious effect it is impossible to lay all the crime upon the shoulder of undesirable environment, as is proven every day by the long newspaper accounts of men who have the best blood and the best training conceivable and who are as guilty of horrible crimes as are those to whom the meaning of gentleman has never been known, men who have absolutely no one, no circumstances, outside of themselves to blame for this fault.

On the other hand, many of the finest, strongest and most useful men in the world are those who have breathed the very atmosphere of sin from their youth up, and have turned to righteous living from pure disgust of the drunkenness and dishonesty they have seen about them. Heredity and environment are tremendous factors in a man's social elevation or degradation, but the will of the man is more potent than either, and where there is a will there is a way--for everything.

Trouble for the Proof Reader.

Lippincott's Magazine. "If you think I'm going to pay you a penny for this advertisement of mine in your measly old paper, you are mightily mistaken, my friend," said a trade business man as he slammed down a copy of the Morning Revelle on the counter in the business office of the paper.

"What is the matter with the advertisement?" asked the business manager of the paper as he came forward. "I'd ask what is the matter, if I were you! What I wrote was 'A fresh invoice of dairy butter every day.' Will you cast your eye on that ad of mine and see what you have printed?" The business manager cast his eye on the "ad" indicated, and looked for a place of safety when he read-- "A fresh invoice of hairy butter every day!"

Has 100 Lineal Descendants.

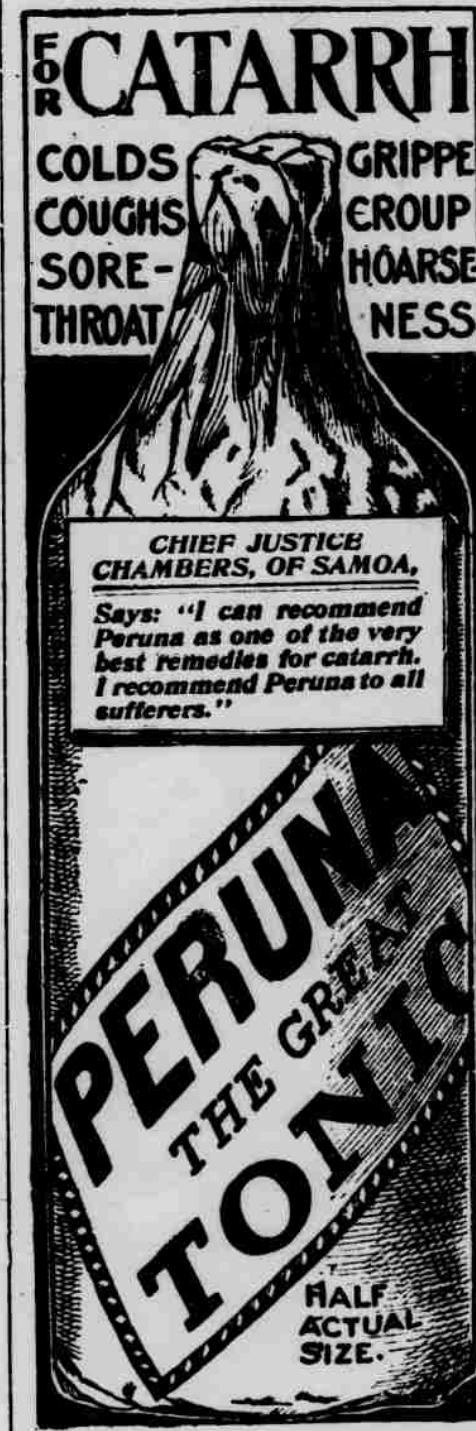
Charlotte Observer. Wilmington, N. C.--Mrs. Ros King, 83 years old, who lives with her son, Policeman B. P. King, on Seventh near Wooster street, this city, has over 100 direct lineal descendants, including children, grand children and great grand children. Monday night a birthday party was given by Mrs. King at which fifty-five of those descendants were present. Five sons who are ministers in the Second Advent Church, conducted devotional exercises and from each of the more than a hundred descendants, came a gift for "Grandmother King." Mrs. King is in remarkably fine health and expects to see many more years of this world's pleasures and sorrows.

CAUTION!

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Some people who occupy a high seat in church will probably have a very low seat in heaven.

The aim for which we give our best strength is everything, the visible success is nothing. True faith may be the greatest, goodness and ability at the highest, when visible success is at the least.--John Hamilton Thom.

The crowned heads of every nation, The rich men, poor men and misers All join in paying tribute to DeWitt's Little Early Risers. H. Williams, San Antonio, Tex., writes: "Little Early Risers Pills are the best I ever used in my family. I unhesitatingly recommend them to everybody. They cure Constipation, Bloating, Sick Headache, Torpid Liver, Jaundice, Malaria and all other liver troubles. E. T. Whitehead & Co."

Hon. William Youngblood, Auditor of the Interior, writes from Washington, D. C., to Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O., as follows: "I've often heard of your great medicine and have persuaded my wife, who has been much of a sufferer from catarrh, to try Peruna, and after using one bottle she has wonderfully improved. It has proved all you have claimed for it."

Hon. Rufus B. Merchant, Superintendent and Disbursing Officer, U. S. Post-office, Washington, D. C., says: "I take pleasure in commending your tonic, having taken a bottle of Peruna with very beneficial results. It is recommended to me as a very excellent catarrh cure."

Congressman David F. Wilber, of Oneonta, N. Y., writes: "I am fully convinced that Peruna is all you claim for it after the use of a few bottles."

Congressman Irvine Dungan, of Jackson, O., writes: "I desire to join with my many friends in recommending your invaluable remedy Peruna to anyone in need of an invigorating spring tonic, or whose system is run down by catarrhal troubles."

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