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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Observations of Passing Events.

Still There Are Wrecks.

0!d Time Winter Weather.

which may profit by the work.

Words Fitty Spoken.

ittle chance for enthusiasm in the work.

The Reading Fad.

get hold of the right end of the string.

WHILE the Legislature hammers away at the railroads to get passenger

reduction of passenger rate. And the poor unfortunate fellows who do

breaking last week, called back old time winter weather which our fathers

winter with freezes, snows and sleet forshadows a good crop year. So a

how he felt like 1907 will be a good crop year. Let us all hope it may be so.

MR. GILBERT T. STEPHENSON, of Northampton county, secretary of the

Peanut Growers Association, is making strong effort to have a fine pea-

for the peanut display it will take seventy five bags of the best peanuts

and five thousand yards of strung peanuts. He proposes that two-kernel

peanuts be strung length wise, as they will show better that way and it

will not take near so many as if strung cross-wise. Mr. Stephenson's idea

is unique and it will be a means of calling attention to the great field pro-

duct of which a few counties in Virginia and North Carolina have a monop-

ly. We believe the Peanut Growers Association mainly has to do with the

large Virginia peanuts, but it includes several counties in North Carolina

"A WORD fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver"-And

truly have the people and the press of the State so regarded the words of

the press of the State, and by others, concerning the fine spirit which

prompted her to decline the pension. Even if she needs the money the

many pleasant things said about her and the new hold her character and

life now have upon the people of the State, go a long way towards supply-

ing her mind and memory with that which will serve her well in her

declining years. She can but feel assured that the people of the State

love her all the more for her noble sentiments expressed in her letter to

her patriotic action in consideration of those who need the money more

FROM time to time the question comes up in one way or another wheth-

IT HAS often been given out by educators that the man of few books and

they well mastered is a safer and sounder scholar than the man of many

best and most useful fund of knowledge. To be sure, it is not often

that any one knows too much; but sometimes the long list of books which

one has read leads him to the false conculsion that having read a great

many books he must, of course, be better informed than one who has not

read so broadly. And while so many people read so nearly nothing at all it

might seem out of place to give any warning against too much reading; yet

it is a question now whether or not really there is a sort of craze for read-

ing which amounts to a fad. It is creeping upon child life as well as into

the lives of some grown up people. Naturally when parents perceive that

their children have a taste for reading they like to encourage it in the hope

of helping the children become intelligent and bright, and this is the prop-

the most varied reading that every time has the

would feel more interested in measures pro-

posing more safety in travel than they do in

and grand-fathers told us about. There is a

prevailing opinion with most farmers that a

Mrs. Stonewall Jackson in declining the \$100

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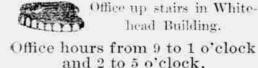
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LES, or MONEY BACK.

A liquid cold relief with a laxative through a copious action of the bowels, a healing principle which lingers in the ed, return the balance of the of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, boils cuts, and the sounds of burns, sores, wounds, but the sounds of burns, sores, burns, sores, wounds, burns, sores, burns, sores, s throat and stops the cough—that is Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup. Safe and sure in its actions; pleasant to take; and conforms to National Pure Food and Drug Law. Contains no opiates. Sold by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, Leggett Drug Co., Hobgood.

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read, reading as a fad should be guarded against.

Your money refunded if after principle which drives out the cold using three-fourths (1) of a tube tube to your druggist, and your money will be cheerfully returned. Take advantage of this

Most Dangerous Occupations. "There are two avowedly dangerall safeguards, a man takes his life in his hand every time he goes to work and in which the concomitant the discovery of oil in Texas a few rates reduced the disastrous wreeks continue, and many of the people risk must be reckoned against," the manufacture of dynamite and guayule shrub contains valuable gunpowder and submarine tunnel- rubber properties. THE snow and sleet which covered the earth and loaded the trees to cupations.

its making to its use. In a blasting- prospect, powder plant men work eye to eye | The guayule shrub covers many farmer said a few days ago while the sleet was on the ground that some- them in the face. No man ever be- tat extends into southwest Texas for comes accustomed to the terror-the a distance of 150 miles. The shrub but not to stay. They lift things a nuisance to the land-owner, as it gingerly and put them down with interfered with cattle grazing. It nut display at the Jamestown Exposition. He the utmost care; they seem afraid grows upon land worthless for agri- them now in my weary and troubled lays his plans before the people of the peanut even to step briskly. No one ever cultural purposes. This land had hours, and open them, that I may belt throuh the Rich Square Times, and says that to carry out his plans whistles in a powder mill.

tion jobs in and about New York on was worth something. an average a man per day is killed. Much of the land could have been A cave-in of rock or sand or mud en- purchased for thirty cents an acre life without the sweetness of love gulfs the gang, or a blast of dyna- two years ago. To-day each acre of and sympathy. Let us learn to mite blows them to pieces, or they the land is producing at least two are overcome by the 'bends', the tons of guayule, which is selling for their burial. Post-mortem kindness terrible disease due to compressed as high as \$100 Mexican currency or does not cheer the burdened spirit. air. Toiling feverishly in three-hour \$50 American money a tor The Flowers on the coffin cast no frashifts under a tremendous air pres- revenue from one acre of the land is grance backward over the weary sure of three atmospheres, the 'sand therefore equivalent to \$100 Ameri- way." Selected. hogs' deep down under the rivers can money. Many ranchmen who face a thousand dangers in order were land poor are now rich. that the pressing problems of trans- The despised shrub has become an A Texan writing to the Ballas News portation may be solved for the great object of the greatest attention. tells of his experience in raising cotmetropolis. The 'bends' is not al- Much care is taken in cutting the ton this year, which was in the na- Electric Bitters, I feel like one rising a month pension proposed by the present Gen- ways fatal, but it catches a large growth so that the shrub may re- ture of the phenomenal. The owner linear in the Dialectes stage. I fully eral Assembly. Many have seen the beautiful and pleasing comments by number of the men and doubles them produce itself from its roots. It is up like jack-knives. In the worst said it will bear cutting every total himself, planted part of it in cotton. permanently, for it has already stopped cases it kills with a horrible death." years. -Everybody's.

#### Prohibition in United States.

Maj, Graham. The sunset of her life will be the more golden because of living under prohibition laws. Tex- money a ton. er or not there is enthusiasm in the work of our public schools. And as Is There School Enthusiasm? often as the question comes up there is some one to suggest that enthusiasm in public schools amount of spirituous, vinous and 000 tons of guayule. malt liquors consumed by the Unit- At \$50 gold a ton the shrub would is not very marked except amongst some of the leading State officials and those who have much to do with public school affairs. Real enthusiasm in school work must obtain in the schools, amongst the pupils, amongst the teachers and amongst the parents. Whatever may be the enthusiasm higher up, it can not much affect the real school interests unless it can in

some way be transmitted to the schools themselves. It rests largely with The truth is not so hard to discov- \$400,000,000. the teachers to create a good enthusiasm with their school work, and their er amid the perplexities. If a third | The product of the guayule shrub capacity for creating such enthusiasm depends upon how much they love of the country has passed prohibition is not the equal of Para rubber, but their work. If a teacher loves the work for the work's sake and for the laws the reason is that it does not it is valuable for many uses, particugood to be accomplished, then a good enthusiasm may spring up; but if approve of the open saloon. Exper- larly in the manufacture of automothe teacher is attracted to the work simply for the salary, then there is lience in Maine, Iowa and other pro- bile tires. The manufacture of these hibitory laws do not decrease the crease in the demand for rubber. amount of liquor consumed in the territory they cover, but they do lessen the injurious influence of the saloon. The saloon, when placed books poorly mastered. It is not the man of under the ban of the law, does not try to dominate the community, but is glad to exist in darkness. America's bill for liquid refreshments is by far the greatest it has to pay every year, and it steadily increases in spite of all the fervid agitation of the prohibitionists. But at the same time the saloon is rapidly losing its power, which so long has been evil in political and moral affairs in the United States.-Chicago Journal.

er view to take of the matter; but even as good a thing as reading may The Importance of a Postage Stamp. be overdone. The observation has been made in many places that children who have access to an unlimited number of books sometimes neglect their At the Bureau of Engraving and daily important studies at school to read books which give no special in-Printing, at Washington, each sepastruction beyond the good precepts laid down in the pretty stories they de- rate postage stamp is handled by tail. This is a matter that parents and teachers should look after careful- more than two hundred people bely. No child should be permitted to neglect his text books, which contain fore it comes into the purchaser's the instruction which will fit him for life, for the charms and fascinations hands. To deliver the letter or of story books, however moral and elevating in their tendencies. The which it is pasted to the addressee ground work of the real education should be looked after in the childhood requires the work, on an average, of years, admitting and encouraging enough of good reading to make the nearly a hundred thousand more, incombination as nearly perfect as possible. To one who has made much cluding the men who made the letter observation in these things it is not hard to find examples of young men box into which you dropped it, built and young women with good opportunities for thorough education caught the postoffice where it was sorted, by the reading fad and have either stopped off real study altogether or laid the rails over which it was carhave made a botch of what they might have made a splendid success. ried, made the sack the postman Even college students who have access to good libraries fall into the seri- uses, and fashioned the hundreds of ous blunder of using their reading opportunities to the abuse of what are other accessories needed. It gives higher and more important opportunities for the time—the opportunities one a realizing sense of his imporof grounding themselves in the principles of education through a thorough tance in the world of to-day when knowledge of text books. While children should be encouraged to be well one considers that he can enlist all these men and all this work for only two cents.-The King's Own.

## Hunting for Trouble.

RICHES IN MEXICAN RUBBER.

Despised Shrub.

The excitement which followed dustrial Juggernaut." "These are Mexico over the discovery that the Selected.

not make corn and hay enough for their horses and meat for their families ing. In railroading, mining, and all The utilization of the shrub is no are still paying high freight rates. Perhaps sometime the Legislature will other trades, dangerous though they longer an experiment. Mere than a four love and tenderness sealed be, the peril can be minimized by \$3,000,000 has been invested in the proper precautions to a greater ex- erection of guayule rubber factories tent than is possible in these two oc- in this region in the last eighteen months and the investment of sev "Dynamite is death-dealing from eral millions in the industry is in

> with death; with faces soher and million acres of Jand upon the platdrawn. Every moment death stares eau of northern Mexico and the habimajority quit after a few weeks. grows to a height of about four feet. High wages tempt them to enter, It has been heretofore considered

very little value before the discovery be refreshed and cheered, while I "In the six big tunnel-construct was made that the guayule shrub need them. I would rather have a

with guayule rubber manufacturers bales. The rows were laid out five druggists. Free only 50c for the sale of the shrub at from \$30 Prohibitionists should rejoice over to \$50 a ton. This was several the fact just made public that 30,- months ago, in the early days of the planted in rows running east and no matter what it is he will live to 000,000 Americans, more than one-excitement. Few sales are now bethird of the total number, are now ing made for less than \$80 Mexican

as, Arkansas and Tennessee are al- Francisco Madero of Parras, Mexmost entirely prohibition, and other ico, is the owner of 4,000,000 acres States are making what the Associ- of guayule producing land. He is ated Prohibition Press calls "pro- said to be the largest individual landgress." Figures don't lie, of course, owner in northern Mexico. He estibut these are difficult to reconcile mates that his land will produce at with the enormous increase in the the first cutting not less than 5,000,

ed States. Can it be that only two- bring him \$250,000,000. In the thirds of the people of the United opinion of experts who have gone States drink all those millions of over much of this land it will yield dollars worth of beer and whiskey at least two tons of the shrub to the acre. That being true, its value is

produce about 250 pounds of rubber. When the manufacture of rubber [ ous occupations, in which, in spite of Fortunes Being Made Out of a Once from this new source was first begun the product sold for seventy cents gold a pound, one ton's extraction bringing \$175 gold. This price has not been maintained, however, but years ago has its parallel in the craze the independent manufacturers say writes Arthur B. Reese on 'Ouf In- Which exists throughout northern that it will be reached again soon. -

#### Be Kind to the Living.

"Do not keep the alabaster boxes up until your lifends are dead. Fill their lives with sweetness. Speak approving, cheering words while their Learts can be thrilled and made happier by them. The kind things you mean to say when they are gone, say before they go. The flowers you mean to send for their coffins send to brighten and sweeten their homes before they leave them. If my friends have alabaster boxes laid away, full of fragrant perfumes of covery. Cure these with Ayer's Pills. sympathy and affection, which they intend to break over my dead body, I would rather they would bring plam coffin without a flower, a funeral without an eulogy; than a anoint our friends beforehand for

#### Raising Cotton in Texas.

and a half feet apart, ran north and south. He also relates that cotton west did not produce "nearly so plaining the bountiful cotton crop News. of Texas this year, also offers a suggestion that it would be well to plant cotton in rows running north and south since by this method the growing cotton gets the benefit of the most sunshine.-Cotton Journal.

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"Six years ago I learned a valuable esson," writes John Pleasant, of Magnolia Ind. "I then began taking Dr King's New Life Pills, and the longer I take them the better I find them.' E. T. Whitehead & Co., druggists, 25c.

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#### Those Useless Questions.

How many of our words are absolutely superfluous, serving no end but the waste of time.

A man stood before a mirror, his face well lathered and his razor in In came his wife; she looked at

hini, and inquired, "Are you shav-

"No," he replied, fiercely, "I'm blacking the kitchen range. Where are you out driving or at the matinee?" - Woman's Home Companion.

#### Rising From the Grave.

A promittent manufacturer, Wm. A. Fertwell, of Lucama, N. C., relates a most remarkable experience. He says : disease, in the Diabetes stage. I fully of a small farm which he cultivates beleive Electric Bitters will cure me On a certain three-acres he raised the liver and bladder complications Many land-owners made contracts 3,500 pounds or seven 500-pound which have troubled me for years.

> regret it. His Wife During our much" as the cotton with rows run-courtship you used to steal kisses ning north and south. This agricul- from me. Her Husband Well, you tural note, while in a measure ex- heard what I said. Chicago Daily

## Neighbors Got Fooled.

"I was literally coughing myself to death, and had become too weak to leave my bed; and neighbors predicted than I would never leave it alive; but they got fooled, for thanks be to God, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery. It took just four one dollar bottles to completely cure the cough and restore me to good sound health." writes Mrs. Eva Uncapher, of Grovertown, Stark Co., Ind. This King of cough and cold cures, and healer of They please everybody. Guaranted by throat and lung, is guaranteed by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Druggists.

"You don't mean to tell me you and Senator Tillman apologizing the called Jim Jeffries a liar?" "That's same week, tends to give color to exactly what I did." "What did he hibition States has shown that pro- tires has caused an enormous in- Horace Johnson's predictions that say?" "I don't know. He was in more earthquakes may be expected San Francisco at the time. I was

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