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We regret that Robersonville news items were received too late for publication this week. Our subscribers will be greatly disappointed, but it is unavoidable.

Appreciative Words

There is improvement everywhere in county papers. This is seen in a special way in THE ENTERPRISE, published at Williamston by Mr. Wm. C. Manning, editor, and Mr. John W. Hassell, manager. It not only rings true on great questions, but encourages every enterprise and institution in Martin county, and is full of live news items from every section of the county. It is a credit alike to the editors and the county. It has plenty of general news and interesting matter from State and Republic, but wisely it gives first place to home concerns and home building. Martin county is making steady progress and THE ENTERPRISE is leading for still greater county development.—News & Observer.

So Disappointing

We felt like going through a hole in the press room after reading the Williamston write-up in the News and Observer of Sunday last. We never dreamed that "the Old Reliable" had any grudge "agin" our town. There was plenty of splendid material to be obtained here, and we awaited the publication with impatience. We are not sensitive, but know that this is a magnificent section of the State and we desire that the world be told of it in an attractive manner. After a careful perusal of the article, we found ourselves mixed up in both sacred and profane history. Now we are asking of those we meet if Noah really built the Ark, and who came over on that famous excursion vessel, the Mayflower? It gives one quite a turn in his intelligent region to find that he must "go way back and sit down" when his knowledge of common facts are aired.

Forest Conditions

There are certain things established and known about forest conditions that the farming class ought to keep well in mind, but do not. It is to be remembered that "when a region is denuded of its forests, the wind passes over it with greater velocity than it would otherwise do, impinging with greater force upon the soil, rapidly dispelling the moisture on it or raising it therefrom. Keeping this in view, we can readily understand why a country denuded of its forests may become so dry as not to admit of the production of grain, or of any of the ordinary cultivated crops, while the annual amount of rainfall remains almost, if not quite, as great as it was when the forest was standing, and when the husbandman seldom failed to raise remunerative crops. We need to have the conditions for holding the moisture in the soil kept up. It is easy enough to see that "before any considerable amount of water can pass from forest-covered regions, the great deposits of vegetable matter covering the land must necessarily become saturated, and

then only will there be an overflow, besides the leaf-mould, sticks, brush logs and similar materials, which are more or less abundant in all forests, aid in retarding the flows from the higher to the lower levels, even after the absorption has ceased. Hence we can readily understand how large a volume of water may be held, in check and prevented from a rapid descent to the streams below. The leaves, twigs and rough bark on the large branches and stems of the trees also intercept, and thus diminish the amount of water that would otherwise reach the earth."—Home & Farm.

Vagrants

Of all the pests that ever cursed a town the vagrant is the most vile; he is the most despicable of all things that are despised: he produces nothing, but dreams of possessing fortunes; he drowns around in some shady nook and builds wondrous "Air Castles" while his mother or sister chops the wood to cook meals for such a lazy lout as he; he speaks disparagingly of all successful men and attributes their success to luck or rascality; he presumes to give advice, but hasn't as much sense as a toad. His brain is musty and he is an idle loafing indolent, mangy creature whose sole object in life is to live without working. He is a thorn in the side of decent society; a burden to any community and should not be tolerated by any town.—The Benson Spokesman.

The Blackberry

The blackberry crop is one of the blessings of the State that has not been accorded its full share of appreciation. It is a free-for-all crop, a crop of great abundance and one that does not fail on an average more than four times in a century. Recently the people of the Western part of the State have been turning their attention to canning and Winston-Salem, the clearance port, is doing a big business in that industry. An Elkin letter to the Winston Sentinel says that the American Canning Company will have warehouses at nearly every station from Winston to Wilkesboro for blackberries delivered in bulk and has twenty tank cars to handle the crop. That section is a great blackberry country and the people are expecting to make from \$60,000 to \$75,000 from the crop this summer.—Sel.

Hymen and Darwin

In Washington State Hymen and Darwin have leagued together for the purpose of preventing weddings that do not represent the principle of the survival of the fittest. The new law that goes into effect after June 1 prescribes that persons afflicted with tuberculosis or any contagious disease or who have been afflicted with insanity, or who may be feeble-minded, inebriate or epileptic shall not be permitted to enter into the bonds of wedlock.

This sounds first rate, except that insanity is as yet such a flexible term that if the star murder trials served as guides Hymen might be averse to permitting his alter to be used for the marriage service in behalf of any person. One of the freak professors who propound strange doctrines avers that no man is mentally normal. Thus it would seem to be a matter of fraught with difficulty to determine when a man or woman is sane enough to marry. An ancient poet has said that love itself is madness, and "had no better sense than to marry" is a frequent observation made by those who have been themselves disappointed in wedlock either by getting in or by being kept out of it. On the whole, from the point of view of society the law is, however, salutary.—Baltimore American.

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Poultry Letter

Mr. Editor:—

A writer in one of our exchanges says that, "Don't get your hens too fat," has done more harm to the poultry business than all the foolish notions and untrue things that have ever been written on the subject, and further adds that poultry writers continue to harangue about "not getting your hens too fat." This, with a lot of others rubbish along the same lines, would lead one to believe that you cannot get the hens too fat, no matter how or what you feed or what the conditions may be. In the argument he makes, he seems to entirely overlook the fact that no matter what the right way of doing a thing may be, there will always be some who either do not understand, or who carelessly go directly opposite to the accepted rules. In the first place, you cannot get hens too fat, and in the second place, you can get hens too fat. Now, there you are with two contradictory propositions, both of which are literally true.

Let us take the first proposition and see just how far the statement applies to it. Laying hens will not get too fat, simply because while laying the food they consume is needed to supply the material which composes the eggs, but irrational feeding will eventually upset the digestive organs and the hens will stop laying, and at once begin to take on fat and will in a very short time be ready for the market and, strictly speaking, "too fat."

Hens that work, hustle and lay will not get too fat, but if we use no common sense in feeding, we will make them quit work, get lazy quit laying and get fat. Now the key to the situation is this: Make the hens work, feed them so that they are never gorged and are always willing to search for some stray bug, worm or grain. If you do this they will never get "too fat," because they will lay and all the food they consume will go towards making eggs. Lazy hens get fat, and hustling hens lay eggs. There's the thing in a nutshell. Don't be afraid to feed the hens plenty if you feed them right, but be careful about how much you feed unless you feed it right.

Peruna Tablets Tested.

What are the Peruna Tablets good for? Has anybody used them enough to know what they will do? Read the following letter and see. If you have any doubts as to the genuineness of the letter, write to Mrs. Lohr, enclose a stamp for reply, and see whether her testimonial is genuine or not:

Ravenna, Mich., June 16, 1908.
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While I was in Chicago my oldest daughter was bothered with a cough all the time. She has had it for four years. Sometimes it would go away, and in the winter time it was so bad that the doctors and professors said that she had consumption, and the only way to give her any relief was to perform an operation.

I spend so much money for different medicines, and for doctors also. Nothing seemed to help her.

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I will leave this for any one to inquire at our old residence, where we lived in Chicago. All our neighbors would say that she could not live with such a cough. You don't know how thankful I am. She is eighteen years old.

My oldest son also was bothered with his stomach, throwing up, and his bowels so loose all the time. He was all run down for four months. I also doctored with him. One would say this and the other something else. I started in to give him the Tablets, and now he is all right and healthy looking. He took four boxes. That is all he wants to take whenever anything ails him.

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 All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment. This the 8th day of June, 1909.
 W. S. RHODES,
 Administrator.

NOTICE.
 Having qualified as administratrix upon the Estate of Mae G. Riddick, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against said Estate to present them to the undersigned for payment on or before the 1st day of June 1910, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.
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