

An automobile has been designed to look like a horse. There is no telling where the application of the horse-like carriage will run.

The Boston Watchman makes mention of a minister, who, when asked the reason for his resigning a pastorate in which he was prosperous and beloved, replied sentimentally: "A 'hired deacon'."

Twenty clerks are said to have been infected with the bacilli of tuberculosis from turning over old records which had been by a concordance whose habit was to dampen his finger from his lips before turning the pages. Their deaths caused an investigation to be made by the Michigan state health, which reported that the books were fitted with the bacilli of the disease.

The agricultural capacity of Alaska is as yet not a sure factor in its future development. But even if the country should bring disappointment in this respect, it should not hinder the successful pursuit of lumber, fishing, and mining industries. For the cheap communication by water with the great agricultural states of Washington and Oregon will always enable the inhabitants of Alaska to supply all their food wants at reasonable prices.

Some new ways of adulterating coffee have lately come to light in England. One grocer, by coating the berry with sugar, raised the weight from five per cent. to ten per cent., and got a shilling a pound for that otherwise would have brought about two pence. The berry itself is ingeniously imitated in Germany by a treatment of maize, and it is said that the imitation is so good that even an close scrutiny is hard to distinguish from the genuine berry.

A very remarkable state of things exists at present in the steel-rail industry, observes the Pathfinder. We know of one railroad—and doubtless there are many others in the same fortunate situation—that contracted a contract for new steel rails at \$17 or so a ton, which rails are now being delivered by the mills at that price, though the market rate is far higher. Moreover, the railroad is taking up its old rails and is selling them back to the mills at \$22 or more a ton. Here is an instance of overcharging old lamps for new, with profit to boot.

Evidently even among animals bacteria make for both health and disease, depending on the conditions and being in some form always present in healthy animals. Carefully conducted experiments made on chickens show this. Where the tests were made the chickens were "hatched under conditions which rendered them free from intestinal bacteria. After hatching they were supplied with sterilized food and water, and the experimental conditions were such that the intestinal tract was kept free from bacteria. After a few days the chickens began to die, and at the end of seventeen days they were very weak. The tests were not continued until the chickens died; but it was evident that they could not have lived more than two or three days under the sterilized plan of feeding. The chickens were killed and culture experiments were made which showed that the chickens were free from bacteria. Chickens raised under the same general conditions, but with no precautions to prevent their acquiring intestinal bacteria, grew normally."

The way the suicides are advertising the poisonous qualities of carbolic acid makes it more and more fortunate to use the drug for the purpose indicated. With the desperate and the weak-minded the power of initiation manifests itself as directly in choosing this particular means for self-destruction as in stimulating the original purpose of the act. In view of the fact that the acid can be obtained in any pharmacy it becomes a matter of public policy to restrict its sale within the legitimate limits of safety to life. Although an article of ordinary commerce, made such by its disinfecting properties, there does not seem to be any reason why it should not be classed with other poisons of this kind and sold only under certain guaranteed conditions of proper and legitimate use. If it could be unobstructed by those contemplating self-destruction that carbolic acid was very difficult to obtain unless the purchaser was properly identified, we should not only have fewer deaths but fewer suicides, which is the measure of the good that this measure would accomplish, especially as it would tend to save life in situations merely transient in nature.

There is an effort to revive the interest of the masses in Oliver Cromwell. The extent to which the Napoleon craze was pushed will be a warning to the public to take its hero revival "temperately."

The idea of free transportation of children and from school, which is a part of the plan to suburbanize city schools, has found acceptance in the rural schools of Duval county, Florida. The object there is to increase attendance and decrease number of school "losses."

The Crispan war cost Great Britain \$38,000,000, which cost \$100,000,000 in addition to the permanent national debt. More than 20,000 British soldiers perished in it, mostly from sickness and exposure. The only result of it was to keep Russia out of Constantinople. It did not permanently settle the Eastern question, and did not even prevent the seizure of Sebastopol as a naval stronghold.

Some great departments of science may be said to have had their beginning in the year 1790. In that year Volta discovered that electricity could be produced by putting two metals in contact as well as by the rubbing of glass. In that discovery electricity, as we now know it, had its birth. It was also in 1799 that one William Smith published the first tabular list of fossils and strata, thus giving scientific basis to geology.

Never has the world of human life been more alert and eager to discover truth, and to live by it, than it now is. But no mind is large enough to comprehend all the phases of human life in its many-sided moral development. To take into one's sympathies and a few of my interests of society is to open the door for a troop of engaging and absorbing thoughts and emotions. To admit them all would be impossible, philosophizes the Christian Register.

We note with satisfaction that Captain Hat Herreshoff is of the opinion that he can "build a boat that will sail round the Columbia," declares the New York Journal. To that mind this would seem an impossible undertaking, yet we have no reason to doubt what Captain Herreshoff says. He has designed all the cup defenders since the day of the Volunteer. This time, and each new design has been practically able to "sail round" its predecessor. As racing men say, Herreshoff has been a "consistent performer." At present Columbia is the fastest schooner in the world. But the abiding faith which we have in Herreshoff will not allow us to doubt for a moment that he can build a faster one when he says that he can.

A lumber journal reports that 35,000 men will be engaged this winter in cutting logs for the market in what is left of the pine forests of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan. The bulk of this forest denudation will be in Minnesota. Wisconsin and Michigan's lumber supply is so nearly exhausted that it now counts 7 but a little. At the present rate of destruction Minnesota's supply will be exhausted within ten years, and will practically be the end of our white pine products. The days of the Southern pine are also numbered. The entire denudation of the forests might be easily accomplished, as forest fires are now raging in various parts of the country. If the tree cutters, hunters and campers would only combine their energies and set promptly they could quickly secure the destruction of the timber supply and leave our wooded districts a howling waste.

From a recent report of the work of the division of chemistry of the agricultural department, it is evident that the attention of the country is now awakened on the subject of food adulteration, and that the government has been conducting investigations for some years, it is the states that have taken the initiative in legislating to put a stop to the abuses of food adulteration. One of the main points encompassed by this legislation is not to allow the sale of any products which are not made in the United States, or the manufacture of it, and to the extent of its title the truth, and to state on the label describing exactly what it is. Manufactured honey may be just as palatable as the natural product of the bees, and the public should have just as much right to buy one as the other. What should be seen to is that the public is provided with the means of knowing what it is buying. Then it can "take its choice."

This would not drive manufacturers out of the market, but merely limit their sale to those persons who care to take advantage of the lower price at which they could be offered.

The London Chronicle publishes the poem that follows with this explanation: "We do not often publish poems by writers unknown to us, but this line, in spite of some defects, appears to us to have a clear distinction for a poet's author."

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BEHIND THE WINDFALL.

By E. W. Frontz.

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DR. TALMAGES SERMON.

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Subject: The World as It Will Be—Fulfilled. The world as it will be, fulfilled, is a world of peace, love, and righteousness. It is a world where the law of God is the only law, and where the love of God is the only love. It is a world where the power of God is the only power, and where the glory of God is the only glory.

MURMUR.

"Am, the loss of that \$5 is like a barbed-iron fence." "How?" "Hard to get over."

THE WAR DEPARTMENT.

Secretary Root Favors Radical Reforms in His First Report. Army and War College—Plan For Army Self-Government.

Secretary Root's first annual report contains recommendations for the future government of the Army. He emphasizes the need for a more efficient and economical organization, and for a system of self-government within the ranks.

PENNSYLVANIA'S DEBT.

Secretary Hitchcock's Report Indicates a Slight Falling Off. Pennsylvania's debt is estimated to be slightly less than in previous years, due to a combination of factors including a decrease in interest rates and an increase in state revenue.

JOHN INSEY BLAIR DEAD.

Leaves a Name For Philanthropy and Many Millions. John Insey Blair, a prominent philanthropist, has died. He was known for his generous contributions to various charitable causes and for his leadership in the business world.

ARMORED TRAINS.

They Are Generally Improved With Steel Plates and Sandbags. Armored trains are being used more extensively for the transport of troops and supplies. These trains are equipped with various defensive measures, including armor plating and sandbags, to protect against enemy attacks.

WEST POINT VICTORIES.

Twenty-Five Thousand Soldiers See the Navy Review by the Army. The annual review of the Army at West Point has taken place, showing a significant increase in the number of troops and the quality of the units. The review was a grand affair, involving 25,000 soldiers and a large contingent of the Navy.

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ITS BENEFICIAL EFFECTS... BUT THE GENUINE... GUERNAIG SYRUP... NIGHT LECTURES FOR MIRA'S NESTS...

Dr. B.'s COUGH SYRUP... IS SURE... IS SURE... IS SURE...

What do the Children Drink?... Don't give them tea or coffee... Don't give them any of those...

Try Crain-O!... Don't give them tea or coffee... Don't give them any of those...

Business... I have used your valuable... I have used your valuable...

REGULATE THE BOWELS... CANDY CATHARTIC... I have used your valuable...

THE NEW PERSON... THE NEW PERSON... THE NEW PERSON...

A Notable Silver Anniversary... With the silver of the present year...

BIG BATTLE WITH BORIS... Large Force Encountered by General Methuen at Modder River...

TEN HOURS' STEADY FIGHTING... General Methuen Calls the Battle the Hardest and Most Frightful in the Annals of the British Army...

LONDON (By Cable)—The War Office has received the following from General Buller...

PHILADELPHIA'S BIG FIRE... Nearly \$2,000,000 Worth of Business Property Destroyed...

LOSSES COVERED BY INSURANCE... Two Fires Occurred at One Time—Largest Publishing Company and Department Store Were the Chief Victims...

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HOW STORIES GROW... They say the lamb which Mary had, Whose fleece was white as snow, Was really just a clever 'Ad.' For Ivory Soap, you know.

IVORY SOAP IS 99% PER CENT. PURE... Save the Nicks... From having, come having. Ask your grocer how you can save your investment...

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Advertisement for Johnson's Cure for Cough, Croup, and Whooping Cough. Includes text about 'The Whole Truth' and 'The Householder's Adviser'.

Thompson's Eye Water... It will Pay You.



GOOD PLUMBING

is of all things the most needful. Many cases of sickness are traced to bad plumbing. We make a specialty of doing this work in the Latest Sanitary Methods, at prices within the reach of all.

HIBBARD & STANNARD, 61 North Main St. Manchester, Ct.



COLD BLOODED.

One of So. Manchester's assessors tells the story about a lady who was so cold blooded that a mosquito froze to death in ten minutes after biting her. Many a worker in over-heated kitchens would envy such a constitution as that. It is probably maintainable but one thing is attainable—A Range that does the work without heating the kitchen. Such a Range is the MAJEE GRAND.

36 Charter Oak Street, South Manchester, Ct. E. T. Carrier.

AFTER THANKSGIVING MALT BREAKFAST FOOD.

Plainer Diet is in Order. We have the Best Dried Beef in Town. Good Whole Hams and Bacon. Choice Salt Mackerel. Salt Codfish. Shredded Codfish. Goron Fish Cakes, Boneless and of Superior Quality.

W. J. Rolston GROCER, 241 Main street.

WE NOW HAVE

Plenty of Nice Fresh Pork at 10c lb. We are still selling Shoulder Hams at 8c a lb on Saturdays. Oysters 30c a quart. Vegetables of All Kinds Constantly on Hand. All Goods Delivered Promptly.

LABAN B. ADAMS Meats, and Vegetables, 3 School Street, - - - Near Main.

We Thank You.

We wish to hereby publicly thank the firemen and all others who assisted us in any way at our recent fire, and in an especial manner to acknowledge the very generous terms accorded us in the adjustment of our fire losses, by representatives of the Royal Insurance Company and the Pennsylvania Insurance Company, and for the prompt payment in full of same, within one week after the fire, without a single cent of discount.

We also wish to acknowledge hereby the efforts of Henry L. Vibberts, local agent for above named insurance companies, for the prompt and satisfactory manner in which he handled the business.

Respectfully, PINNEY BROTHERS, Benson & Keith, 241 Old Stand on Charter Oak Street, Elridge St. - - - South Manchester.

LECTURE AND SONG RECITAL. ALL IN THEIR NEW STORES.

The new Cheney block is now occupied by four stores and the post office, and presents quite an attractive appearance. It is true that the occupants have not as yet got their respective stores in the order they propose, but nevertheless they are in there and are getting their goods arranged as rapidly as possible.

Mr. Tiffney was the first to enter the promised land, so to speak, as he made his entry on Monday. He was followed on Tuesday by W. B. Cheney's drug store and Geo. W. Smith's shoe and men's furnishings store.

Mr. Martin moved in on Wednesday and the post office was transferred yesterday. Mr. Martin has been ill for the past week and consequently could not push matters as was his wont.

The star attraction was Jeannette Robinson-Murphy. She gave a bit of speciality work that was simply unique. It was the rendition of genuine negro folk-songs and the reproduction of features of slave life. Her imitation of the different colored types were artistic and accurate, and pleased her large audience.

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Bulletin No. 141. Men's Heavy Arctic \$1.25. Men's Light Arctic \$1.50. Men's Felt Boots and Overs \$2.00. Gent's Embroidered Slippers 50 and 75 c. Walnuts 30 c. peck. A good Nut Cracker for 25c. Bed Quilts and Blankets.

ICE AND COAL. THE LEHIGH COAL \$6.50. When I tell you Lehigh coal that will be the kind you will get. Although I can buy the Lehigh coal for 40 cents per ton less, I don't want to be any more than I can get for my own water that are uncontaminated by sewerage or road-rail.

WESLEY HOLLISTER. Everybody can afford to wear a Good WINTER OVERCOAT. At the present Low Prices. I make Overcoats from \$15. up. My \$25. Coats are beauties and there is satisfaction and style in all Garments made in my shop. Magnell, The Tailor's.

KANDY KITCHEN. Everything in Cemetery Stonework. Should be selected with care. It is intended to last as a fitting memorial to your deceased friends. Therefore, you should go where you can see a large stock to select from and see some set up as they will be in cemetery.

THE HARTFORD MONUMENTAL WORKS. Cor. Main & Windsor Sts. P. J. Breen, Prop.

PHOTO JEWELRY. PHOTO BUTTONS. Call Buttons with Photo, \$1.00 per pair. Silver Pin Photos, 25 cents. Photo Buttons, 25 cents. Call and See Samples. We will make you 10 Photos for 25 cents. Six Diamond Photos, 60 cents. Look Over our Line of Portrait Frames.

Parlor Heating Stoves. We were never better prepared to serve you in the matter of Parlor Heating Stoves than at present as our stock is an unusually full and complete one. We have a new line of Sheet Iron Parlor Heaters that are very popular now. They are known as "Crescents" and are good.

Ferris Brothers, 28 Center St. No. Manchester. Actual Business Practice From the Start at Huntsinger's Business College.

Huntsinger's BUSINESS COLLEGE. POINTS TO REMEMBER: One entire floor filled with the latest men's full top desks for students' use. No text books to buy. Three Sern filled with pupils. Twenty-five first class typewriting machines for pupils use. Sewing teachers. Passenger elevator. Flood 40 graduates in situations the thirty-three months and one week ending Nov. 24. Call to see the college during session hours. New pupils enter so long as there is room.

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Boston Store, J. W. HALE. China, Glassware, Books, Dolls, Fancy Goods, Jewelry, Handkerchiefs, Skirts, Jackets, Furs, etc.

AS USUAL A. H. SKINNER Is Offering a Large Assortment of Fancy and Useful Holiday Goods Consisting of

Glassware, Crockery, Vases, Dolls, Doll Carriages, Toys, Games, Books, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Gloves, Neckwear, Perfumes, Sleds, Skates, etc., etc. Also, the Finest Fruits, Nuts, and Confectionery.

Remember that the place to Save Money in Buying is at A. H. SKINNER'S. WE ARE PREPARED Candy For Christmas.

Benson & Keith, Elridge St. - - - South Manchester. ATHLETICS THE ARMORY. Tuesday, Dec. 19. Polo. Burnides vs. Peerless. Game called 7:45. New Britain v. Manchester. Thursday, Dec. 21. Admission, 25 CENTS. Reserved Seat, 35 CENTS.

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NEW DRUG STORE. NEW GOODS. NEW IDEAS. SOUVENIRS Given to All Purchasers. Come and Greet us in Our Beautiful Store. Cheney's Drug Store.

Royal Hub Ranges. The season for Ranges is now here and I am better prepared than ever to serve the public with these goods. My stock and assortment of ROYAL HUB RANGES has never been as large or as complete as now. If you need anything in the way of ranges come and look over my line.

READ H. C. MARTIN'S ADVERTISEMENT ON PAGE 5. GEO. R. WRIGHT. DR. W. L. CRAMER, DENTIST.

Ready for Christmas!! A few Pointers as regards Holiday shopping at the Newly Remodeled Jewelry Store of Chas. H. Keeney, So. Manchester, Ct. I positively have more goods, finer quality and better assortment than was ever exhibited in this place.

Watches. My watch section is filled with the newest styles obtainable. The prices are lower than elsewhere and every one sold is covered by my own personal guarantee as regards workmanship, material and time keeping qualities.

STERLING SILVER TRIBLES at 25cts, 30 cts, 75 cts and \$1.50. FANCY GARTERS for the ladies. Best quality silk elastic, sterling silver buckles at a very little more in price than the ordinary brass buckles.

HAT PINS, HUMMING BIRDS, BUTTERFLIES, ETC. set with precious stones; prices from 15 cts to \$2.50. RINGS, Diamond, Sapphire, Emerald, Ruby, Garnet, Topaz Opal, etc. at prices from 75 cts to \$65.

C. H. KEENEY, JEWELER AND OPTICIAN. Soap! Soap! BIG VALUES AT LITTLE PRICES. "OUR PUSHER." 15 Bars for 25c. 42 Bars for \$1.00. "OUR HUSTLER." 12 Bars for 25c. 50 Bars for \$1.00.

Various small advertisements and notices including: W. L. BUCKLAND, UNDERTAKER AND EMBALMER; Citizens Cash Grocery; and various local business notices.