

Be Careful of Your Eyes.

Rest is essential in the treatment of diseased or overworked eyes—rest of eyes, rest of body and mind. Avoid also wind, dust and smoke. Personal habits enter into the question of the causation of eye disease, and their regulation becomes, therefore, a part of the hygienic treatment. Diet is important, chiefly through its effects upon indigestion and general health, which frequently have much to do with the condition of the eye. The first offense against the eyes is reading with a poor light. This requires the ciliary muscle to do extra work to sharpen sight. It applies to dim lights, twilight, and sitting too far from the light. The second offense, says the New York Weekly, is one of posture. Stopping or lying down congests the eye, besides requiring unnatural work of the eye muscles. Reading in railroad trains is a third offense, the motion causing such frequent changes of focus and position as to tax the muscles of accommodation as well as the muscles of fixation. Reading without needed glasses, or with badly fitted ones, is the last impudence. Eye-strain is certainly a factor in producing disease of every part of the eye. Old age is the time of retribution for those who have sinned against their eyes. Young folk, take good care of your eyes, and when you are old you will reap a rich reward by retaining good eyesight till late in life.

A vote of thanks is due the Wisconsin professor who says that our old friend the tired feeling which comes in the spring is not an acquired virtue but is the result of heredity. If it has been handed down to us from our forefathers, who acquired it through much patient endeavor, anyone can see that we are not to blame. Still, we think more of our ancestors because of this discovery. Evidently they were human, remarks the Chicago Daily News, and not mere stern, busy automatons, as we have been taught to believe, who never relaxed but were busy chasing work throughout the living day and part of both ends of the night. Besides, we can the more readily resign ourselves to the pleasure of being lazy in the spring when we know that we couldn't help it if we tried.

The treasurer of the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor of New York recently received two dollars from two small girls, with a note saying that the authors had saved the money "from slang words." Every time they used a bit of slang they fined themselves, and every time they heard others use any they requested a forfeit or a contribution. This plan would make some young people realize that silence is indeed golden.

Several Vassar college girls are acting as probation officers for the city court of Poughkeepsie. They are studying the truancy problem in this practical way, and hope to learn why boys are naughty. A special course in this subject might profitably be introduced in all the women's colleges. If the young women pursued it thoroughly there might be fewer truants in the next generation of boys.

A confederate veteran in Texas refused even in a sham battle to fire on the Stars and Stripes. "We stopped doing that in '65," he said. This is a spirit which will do much more for the harmony and well being of the union than raking up dead-and-gone memories which serve no purpose but to stir ill feeling and sectional strife.

A western editor has solved the problem of "how to keep the boys on the farm." Answer: "Have plenty of girls on the farm and the boys won't go away." Now the only question is how to keep the girls on the farm.

It seems that the government holds \$10,000,000 for persons who have never presented their claims. And still you read of timber and water and mining frauds as if that sort of thing were the only loot handy.

The man reported to be engaged to Hetty Green's daughter says he does not know the lady. But he knows the size of Hetty's fortune, and that should be enough.

Those marginal notes on divorce by Henry VIII. no doubt show how ardently Hank longed for some such modern institution as South Dakota.

A St. Louis clergyman who denounced kissing cannot collect his salary. Clergymen should avoid subjects of which they know nothing.

Women should not gossip more than eight hours a day, according to one of them. But the matrimonial union has no such rule.

INCOME TAX TIME  
EXTENDED TO MAY.

With the approval of Gov. Ansel, Comptroller General Jones has issued an order to all county auditors to enforce the income tax law. The time for receiving these returns has been extended until May 1st, and the letter to the auditors state that a list of all liable must be made up and in the hands of each an income tax blank must be placed. Should there be no returns by May 1st, a penalty of fifty per cent. is added.

Comptroller General Jones recently announced that he intended enforcing the law and should any auditor refuse to send in an all income tax returns the auditor's name will be sent into Gov. Ansel with a statement of facts. The governor has the power of removal in such cases.

In several of the counties, notably Richland, Spartanburg, Aiken, Sumter and others, the auditors have worked hard to get returns properly made by those liable for income tax. In others, however, nothing has been done and the idea of the comptroller general is that the law should either be enforced or repealed. Up to a few years ago the returns were made in secret. The law, however, has been changed and as a result of the publicity in the newspapers much has been accomplished but the state officials feel that there are many men in the State with incomes over \$2,500 that have not made returns.

The collection last year from this source were about \$8,000.

LETTER TO AUDITORS.  
The following is a copy of the letter sent to all county auditors:

"To County Auditors: Under the code of laws of South Carolina, sections 276 and 370, the comptroller general is required to prepare and transmit instructions to carry into effect the provisions of the tax laws and to decide all questions which may arise as to the true construction of the same.

"The instructions thus given shall be obeyed by, and the decisions thus made shall be binding upon all county, town and municipal officers. Section 370. "By virtue of the authority vested by law in the comptroller general, with the approval of the governor, the time for making the income tax returns is hereby extended to May 1, 1909. After that date, the penalty of 50 per cent, must attach upon all who shall have then failed or refused to make such returns.

"Immediately after receipt of these instructions, you are directed to prepare a list of all persons whom you may believe are liable for the income tax. In preparing this list you should call on and consult with the members of the county and township board of assessors and such citizens as may in your opinion have information touching the income of those liable. You are further directed to place in the hands of each person so listed an income tax blank and require such person to fill out said return and swear to same.

"In case any person shall refuse or fail to file or swear to said return, proceed to assess the amount of their income upon information and belief, and add thereto a penalty of 50 per cent, and charge the aggregate upon your tax duplicate.

"On May 1, you are required to file with the comptroller general duplicates of the above lists, together with a statement as to each taxpayer, showing the action taken by him.

"Yours very truly,  
"A. W. Jones,  
"Comptroller General."

"I approve of the extension of time to make the returns referred to.

"M. F. Ansel,  
"Governor."

The income tax is assessed on the following scale: Income exceeding \$2,500 up to \$5,000, 1 per cent.; \$5,000 up to \$7,500, 1 1/2 per cent.; \$7,500 up to \$10,000, 2 per cent.; \$10,000 up to \$15,000, 2 1/2 per cent.; above \$15,000, 3 per cent.—Columbia State.

PARKER'S HAIR BALM  
Cures itching scalp, restores hair, keeps hair soft and shiny, and gives it a natural color. Price, 25c. and 50c. at all Druggists.

Will Plant Lots of Cotton.

A farmer came in our office last week and announced that the farmers of this county are going to put every foot of available land in cotton this year, and if the South generally follows the example of our Pickens county farmers we ought to produce something like 15,000,000 bales. This is very encouraging for a prosperous fall with seven or eight cent cotton to pay and in the hands of each an income tax blank must be placed. Should there be no returns by May 1st, a penalty of fifty per cent. is added.

Swept Over Niagara.  
This terrible calamity often happens because a careless boatman ignores the river's warnings—growing ripples and faster current—Nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you that Kidneys need attention if you would escape fatal malady—Dropsy, Diabetes or Bright's disease. Take Elec Bitters at once and see Backache fly and all your best feelings return. "After long suffering from weak kidneys and lame back, one \$1.00 bottle wholly cured me," writes J. R. Blankenship, of Belk, Tenn. Only 50c at all Druggists.

Potato Slips for Sale.  
Ona, Fla., April 3d, 1909.  
Mr. J. L. C. Thompson,  
Pickens, S. C.  
Dear Friend:

I want you to tell all my friends and neighbors that I have a large supply of sweet potato slips of the very best sorts: Porto Rico, Triumph and Nancy Hall.

I will be glad to receive a long letter from each one of my old acquaintances whether they want slips or not.

This leaves us well and enjoying snap beans, new Irish potatoes, strawberries, &c., and good prospects for melons, roasting ears and other good things.

Yours very truly,  
F. M. Morris.  
[Words To Freeze The Soul.  
"Your son has Consumption. His case is hopeless." These appalling words were spoken to Geo. E. Blevens, a leading merchant of Springfield, N. C. by two expert doctors—one a lung specialist. Then was shown the wonderful power of Dr. King's New Discovery. "After three weeks use," writes Mr. Blevens, "he was as well as ever, I would not take all the money in the world for what it did for my boy." In fact, he is the surest cure of separate Lung diseases on earth. 50c and \$1.00 at all Druggists. Guarantee satisfaction. Trial bottle free.

Central Route 3.

The weather has been ideal for the past several days.

The farmerers will have to get a hustle on them if they get through planting corn by Easter.

Mr. Forest Hopkins, from the Fairview section spent Saturday and Sunday in the Six Mile section.

Mr. and Mrs. Clevin Merck visited Mr. and Mrs. Bud Kelly Sunday.

Miss Annie Evans has returned from an extended visit to Newry.

Rev. W. M. Walker filled his regular appointment at Pleasant Hill, Sunday.

Quite a few of our farmers are nearly done planting corn.

Mrs. Mattie Barnes of Easley R1 is visiting her father and mother this week.

School Girl.

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clings to the jeweler's windows. All the fair sex top to see the exhibit, and many of the masculine element who have the time. It is argued by all.

That This Jewelry Store

gets the prize for the finest stock of handsome ornaments and sterling silver novelties. Our watches are celebrated as good timepieces, and our tableware is warranted not to tarnish. Inspection of all lines cordially invited.

H. SNIDER.

Come and See Us!

In view of making a change in our business we will sell for 30 days, beginning on April 10th our entire stock of Dry Goods, Notions, Shoes, Glass, Crockery and Tinware, etc. In fact, everything we have except Groceries, will be sold at cost.

We have just opened a line of up-to-date spring shoes in all styles and at prices from \$1.00 to \$3.00. Men, women and children's shoes at cost and when we say cost we mean COST.

All we want is for you to come and give us a chance to show you and we will be sure to sell you.

Any one wishing to buy a small stock and open business, can buy ours at a bargain, and we will rent you a store-room cheap. It is near the depot and a good stand.

We also have a 5-room cottage house and lot for sale.

Don't fail to call and see us.

Yours for business,

J. H. Brown & son  
Liberty, S. C.

To the Farmers

We want to talk to you a little now about our ammoniated fertilizers. The acid and meal season is about over. Those who use acid and meal haul it home early in the season so that they can mix it. The season for ammoniated goods commenced later, and in fact, is about started now. There is not much difference in acids; one acid is about as good as another. It is all made of phosphate rock, (bone phosphate line,) crushed and treated with sulphuric acid phosphate and one fertilizer company turns out about as good quality of this goods as another. The difference in fertilizer is in ammoniated goods. Ammoniated goods are made by taking this same acid phosphate and mixing it with ammoniates, blood tankage, nitrate of soda, cotton seed meal, sulphate of ammonia, garbage. Now, some of these ammoniates do their work and exhaust more quickly than others and so by properly mixing and manipulating our ammoniates, we have gotten a fertilizer that will nourish the plant from the time it sprouts, all during the growing season, during the laying-by season and up to the time the plant is matured and ready to be gathered. Take for instance nitrate of soda. It acts quickly and exhausts. Cotton seed meal will come in next; it will dissolve and assimilate with the soil before it becomes a plant food, just as when you plant a grain of corn it has to germinate before it comes up. Tankage come in next and then blood; which lasts until the crop is matured and ready to be gathered. So by taking the different kinds of ammoniates in the proper proportion, one coming in as one exhausts, we have a fertilizer that will feed and nourish the plant from the time it sprouts until it is ready to be gathered. That is a complete fertilizer and unless it does that it is not a complete fertilizer. It does not matter where you get it, it is not a complete fertilizer unless it feeds and nourishes the plant from the time it sprouts until the crop is ready to be gathered. These ammoniates are very expensive, that is why ammoniated goods cost more than acids. Tank sulphate of ammonia; it costs \$44 per ton laid down at the factory. We have bought quite a lot of this and are using it in fertilizers that will sell for less than \$30 per ton, just because we want to make the right kind of goods; goods that will make the crop grow and keep growing and will make a man take a pride in his crop. Our ammoniated goods used on lands that are prepared and cultivated, as the farmers in this section usually prepare and cultivate their lands, will get all out of the land that there is in it and a farmer should not be satisfied with making the land do less than that. The trouble about using a cheap fertilizer is just this: by the time you find out it is no account you have lost a crop and you have lost a year's work and the only thing you can do is to wait until next year and try again to fertilize right.

Every sample of our goods that has been analyzed at Clemson College ran way above our analysis which shows that we are making the right kind of goods. There is absolutely no adulteration in the fertilizers we are making. They are made of bone phosphate of lime ammoniates and nothing else. There is nothing better made. Our goods will feed and nourish the plant from the time it sprouts until it is ready to be gathered and that is the kind of goods your land needs; that is the kind of goods your land must have to make first class crops. If you want goods of this sort, we have them and they are for sale. They are home-made and they are made right; they are dry and well pulverized and we want you to try them. See our agents.

J. E. Parsons  
Executor.

Notice to Debtors and Creditors.

All persons having claims against the estate of the late Mary J. Parsons, must present the same duly proven on or before the 15 day of May 1909, or be barred by payment, and all persons indebted to said estate must make payment on or before the above date to the undersigned.

Morgan & Mauldin,  
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Attention Veterans.

All Veterans of the Confederacy are hereby notified that, obedient to the requirements governing and limiting the conferring of Crosses of Honor, no Crosses can be conferred after the year 1910.

In order that every Veteran who desire a Cross may be supplied with this coveted badge, I respectfully urge that applications therefore be filed at once with the Adjutant of the Camp to which such Veterans belong or with the undersigned.

All who desire Crosses of Honor for bestowal at our next annual reunion which will be held June 3rd, 1909, must file their applications not later than April 15th inst. Don't overlook this fact, but file your applications with the proper person at once.

(Mrs.) T. J. Mauldin,  
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STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ) ss.  
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Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1895.

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
County of Pickens,  
Court of Common Pleas.

Summons for Relief—Complaint Served.

J. McD. Bruce, Plaintiff,

against  
Edward Young and Vesta McFall Defendants.

To the Defendants above named: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, of which is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber at his office at Pickens Court House, South Carolina, within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer to the complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated Pickens, S. C., April 3 A. D. 1909.

A. J. Boggs, C. C. P. [Seal].

Morgan & Mauldin,  
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

To the absent defendant, Edward Young:

Please take notice that the complaint in the above stated case, together with the foregoing Summons, was filed in the office of A. J. Boggs, Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for Pickens County, South Carolina, on the 3rd day of April, A. D. 1909.

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The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without adversity.—Bishop Hall.

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Many a man who loves his neighbor as himself would be in serious trouble if his wife knew it.

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The different Indian tribes in Mexico do not mingle much and seldom intermarry.

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Mingle a little gaily with your grave pursuits.—Horace.

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Ladies whose systems are poisoned and whose blood is in an impure condition due to menstrual irregularities are peculiarly benefited by the wonderful tonic and

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have resisted all treatment, Catarrh, Skin Diseases, Eczema, Chronic Female Complaints, Menstrual Pains, Tetters, Scaldhead, etc., etc.

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RHEUMATISM

PLOWS

I did not buy from the first man that come around, result. I bought at my price, you can have them at 44c. one plow, or as many as you want.

I am saving other people money on flour, why not you. I haven't had a kick, any my black pepper at 10c lbs and they are finding out my nutmeg 20 for a nickle are not wood, and my customers who buy my oil regularly at 15c gal. say they don't think I put water in it, fact is good oil like mine wont mix with water, try it some time.

That good sun cured tobacco of mine is well worth ten cents, take mine for five cents 20 for a dollar.

Don't forget the elegant line of underwear, or the china and glassware. I most always have anything you call for, including shingels sap and heart, and am satisfied with just a little profit, and do business at very little expense, did you ever think, who pays store expenses? Produce wanted.

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to go alongside of these other high-class drinks. Dealers in soft drinks will find it to their interest to send their orders for such goods to

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