

## BETTER THAN ALL MEDICINE

Oysters Put Artemus Ward on His Feet When Every Other Remedy Had Proved a Failure.

When Artemus Ward and Dr. Hingston, who acted as his manager on his western lecture tour, arrived in Salt Lake City, after that amusing and successful visit to California, the beloved humorist fell sick. So badly was he, after his arduous rounds of the Pacific coast and his strenuous days in Virginia City, Nev., with Mark Twain and Bill Nye, that his life was despaired of.

The lecture Artemus had arranged with Brigham Young to give in the theater, had to be postponed. In fact, so hopeless seemed the case that Dr. Hingston even tried to arrange to have the body of his friend and partner transported to the East on the stage coach. But the optimism of Artemus brought him back to safety again, a very thin and weak man.

But before he was allowed to leave his room, Artemus had difficulty gaining sufficient strength even to walk. From Brigham Young to the least humble of the Mormon "saints," attentions in the form of fresh eggs, jellies and other helpful delicacies were showered upon the convalescent. Artemus enjoyed everything, but nothing seemed to give him strength.

At last a food was discovered in a local grocery, so we are told, that "lifted him from his couch." This was nothing more or less than a dozen cans of Baltimore oysters, put up in squares of block tin. The first oyster stew "hit the spot," and Artemus chirped up:

"Get out the bills for the lecture! See Mr. Clawson and arrange for the date. The show is safe enough, now we've got on an oyster basis."—Mark Stuyvesant in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## TO MAKE HEADWAY IN LIFE

Consecrate and Concentrate, is the Advice Given by Writer in Forbes Magazine.

You want to make headway in the world, of course. See if this thought can help you: First, consecrate yourself to your calling; then concentrate. The lives of most men of notable achievement have been characterized by consecration and concentration. Before one can consecrate oneself, one must be possessed by some bigger and broader and better idea than mere money making. There must be something in the work that appeals to one. The work must appear to be worth while, worth effort and industry and sacrifice. You could not, for example, conceive of anyone consecrating himself to "bootlegging." There isn't one honest calling, however, to which a worker could not consecrate himself or herself if animated by the right spirit. Having consecrated oneself to a line of endeavor, then concentration must follow if proficiency and success are to be attained.

The worker, be he employee or employer, who hasn't consecrated himself to his calling fails to derive from it that deep satisfaction known to those who have consecrated themselves to their jobs. Concentration follows consecration naturally and with joy rather than hard effort.—Forbes Magazine.

## Swiss Santa Rings Bell.

In the quaint little town of St. Gallen, Switzerland, which has retained many of its curious medieval customs, Santa Claus makes his visits ringing a gigantic cowbell, says Popular Science Magazine.

In St. Gallen, every Christmas eve twelve men array themselves in white trousers and shirts, embroidered wool suspenders, and bright red ties. Each one fastens an enormous cowbell on to a wide leather belt, and covers his head with an enormous mask of cardboard, the upper part of which is decorated by stenciled designs.

One of the twelve, is called "Samichlaus." It is his duty to give the good children presents. The other eleven remain at a little distance on the outskirts of the jolly crowd that follows them on their rounds, giving candy to the grownups and entertaining everybody with their clowning.

## Cave-Dwelling Snakes.

Until recent times no reptiles were known to have adapted themselves to existence in the darkness of caverns. Now, however, it is known that in the Malay peninsula a snake, a species of coluber, inhabits certain caverns, feeding upon the bats.

These cave-dwelling snakes attain a length of between eight and nine feet. Their coloring simulates that of the walls of the caverns. The rock is a yellowish limestone, traversed with blackish veins, and these markings and colors are curiously reproduced in the snakes, many of which lurk on the ledge in the semi-darkness near the entrances, watching for the bats.

## The Game of Whist.

All great discoveries are works of time, and the game of whist is no exception to the rule. Its merits were not recognized in early times, and under the vulgar appellation of "whisk and swobbers" it long lingered in the servants' hall ere it could ascend to the drawing room.

At length some gentlemen in England who met at the Crown coffee-house in Bedford Row, studied the game, gave it rules, established its principles, and then Edward Hoyle, in 1745, blazoned it forth to all the world.

## Increasing Efficiency of Chimneys and Fireplaces.

The fireplace is the heart of the home and yet, how many smoky fireplaces there are. The smoking fireplace and the unsatisfactory operation of other heating arrangements are often due to a poorly constructed chimney, the United-States Department of Agriculture points out in a new Farmer's Bulletin, No. 1230 "Chimneys and Fireplaces, How to Build Them," by A. M. Daniels. The common faults in chimney construction are discussed in detail and exact directions are given for building chimneys of suitable dimensions and materials. The correct location and size of flues are indicated and other information is presented in a clear form.

Good draft in the chimney is necessary to efficient operation. Attention is especially drawn to the fact that a chimney must extend about two feet above the ridge of the house if it is to have a good draft. All chimneys rest on masonry foundations in the ground. The shape and size of the flue is very important. Round flues are to be preferred but rectangular ones are usual. A table is given showing the proper relative diameter of the smoke pipe, flue, and the height of the chimney.

The problem of the smoky fireplace is also dwelt upon from the standpoint of a fireplace construction. The need for a throat equal in area to the area of the flue is explained, and emphasis is laid on the importance of a smoke shelf about 8 inches above the throat of the fireplace. Particulars of constructing an ordinary fireplace properly, and for installing a warm-air flue for improved fireplace heating, are described in the bulletin which will be sent free upon application to the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

## Plant More Bur Clover.

The season for putting out bur clover seed is here. One of the principal factors is early seeding to insure clover plants large enough to stand the cold weather of winter.

The formula for certain success in starting bur clover is to mix manure inoculating soil and acid phosphate with the seed, and put on land that has been cultivated this year. Where a considerable amount of manure and seed are available, the mixture can be broadcasted; but where a limited amount is used it is better to drop in small piles. For broadcasting, at least 10 bushels of seed in the bur are needed, and for dropping in small piles, about half as many. The land does not need to be plowed or harrowed. Loose soil will allow the plants to be pulled out by frosts in the winter.

The amount of manure to mix with the seed will depend on the condition of the soil. On rich land, only enough to insure inoculation is needed, but on poor land, enough needs to be applied to fertilize the plants after they appear. As a general rule, not less than four times the bulk of the seed, that is four bushels of manure to one bushel of seed should be used, and sometimes this should be increased. Weeds or cornstalks thrown on galled spots will help protect the clover in the winter also. One or two sacks of acid phosphate and an equal amount of inoculating soil from a bur clover patch or an alfalfa field will complete the mixture for an acre.

To drop in small piles, fill a wagon with the mixture, and put two men on behind with shovels. As the wagon is driven slowly up and down the fields, the men drop from a quarter to a half shovelful of the mixture each two or three feet.—Progressive Farmer.

## Praise for the Women.

"You can't say too much in praise and appreciation of the splendid work that was done by the women of Spartanburg at the Democratic primary election today," Mayor John F. Floyd said last night. "They were 'on the job' from the opening to the closing of the polls and did their whole duty with the spirit and precision of the veterans who have grown gray in the service. It seemed to me that they were everywhere, early and late and between times. They hauled voters to the polls, they had watchers and helpers at the polls and they were what has been called 100 per cent against Mr. Bleese. I declare I have never seen at any election better and more helpful service than that cheerfully rendered at the polling places and on the road to the ballot boxes by the splendid women of Spartanburg at the Democratic primary election today." And so say we all of us.—Spartanburg Journal.

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## What Hampton Said.

Rion McKissick, editor of the Greenville Piedmont, knows his South Carolina—its people, their character, their fundamental goodness, the proneness of many of their number of doubtful judgments in matters affecting their own welfare—has performed a most excellent service in commending to the people of the State, especially to the division ("division seems so much better than 'faction'") which won in the democratic primary election this week the counsel given by Wade Hampton to the white people of this State who were united then as never before just after his election in 1876, as follows:

"In offering to our people my heartfelt congratulations and gratitude for the grand victory they have won, I venture to beg them to prove themselves worthy of it by a continued observance of good order and rigid preservation of peace. Let us show that we seek only the restoration of good government, the return of prosperity, and the establishment or harmony to the whole people of the state.

"In the hour of victory we should be magnanimous, and we should strive to forget the animosities of the contest by recalling the grand results of our success. Prescribing none for difference of opinion, regarding none as enemies, save such as are inimical to law and order, let us all unite in the patriotic work of redeeming the state. By such conduct we can not only bring about good feeling among all classes, but can most surely reap the best fruits of victory."

That is about what Mr. McLead would say, has said, in effect, about his victory at the primary Tuesday, and the simplicity of his speech, "I will be the governor of all the people," is the best promise of his sincerity and truth.

That is the right spirit, the only spirit that should fill the hearts of people and control their conduct in the settlement of all questions affecting the public welfare. May we not at this very moment, when the serious thought of the people is turning to the consideration of public questions, and fearing the activity of disappointed and disordered souls fatally bent on mischief, may we not suggest the thorough reorganization of the Democratic Party in South Carolina, not in the interest of any candidate or any faction, but for the honor of the state and the protection of its interests in any danger that may threaten in the near future. For quick decision in emergency the trained political organization not less than the trained soldier in arms or the trained champion in gloves has all the advantage in its favor.—Spartanburg Journal

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## Five Killings in Two Days.

Five homicides in two days in this Piedmont country! In Laurens county a son killed his father and the father killed the son, the father being the aggressor. In Anderson county a married man shot and killed his mother-in-law to death, then shot his wife to death and following this double murder shot himself to death. In both of the counties where these awful crimes were committed there are schools and colleges and churches and what is called "Christian civilization." Only a few days before these "occurrences" (one must be very careful nowadays to use polite terms in describing the most brutal crimes, and so we shall call the murders "occurrences," just as a matter of safety—a man in York County took his shot gun from the rack, shot and killed four of his neighbors, three of them children, we believe, and his trial has been postponed. In the Laurens County and Anderson county "occurrences" all the "parties," innocent and guilty, victims and slayers, are beyond the reach of trial by jury and executive clemency by governors—there was really little reason for the worthy citizen who murdered his wife and her mother in Anderson county to take his own precious life as the extreme penalty for the crime of murder has rarely been enforced in the last fifteen or twenty years, so that the impression seems to have reached the country that if one would like to commit murder with safety and distinction South Carolina may be regarded as a promising field.

At the last Chautauqua in Spartanburg, Judge Marcus Kavanaugh, presiding judge of the Criminal Court in Chicago for twenty-five years and regarded all over this country as a careful and trustworthy student of the crime problem—said something like this: In Italy, which has been regarded as the home of murder the rate has been 15 to the million population. In South Carolina, regarded as the home of chivalry and the highest order of civilization, the rate of murder to the million population last year was 1271.—Spartanburg Journal.

## Bring True Bill Against J. T. McDowell.

Greenwood, Sept. 14.—A true bill was returned by the grand jury here today in the case of rural policeman J. T. McDowell, charged with misconduct in office and neglect of duty. The indictment charges that the officer obstructed justice in spiriting away and bribing a witness to prevent her testifying, that he accepted money from Joe Klugh and J. D. Klugh in payment for failure to bring them to justice for alleged violation of the prohibition law, that he warned these men in advance of

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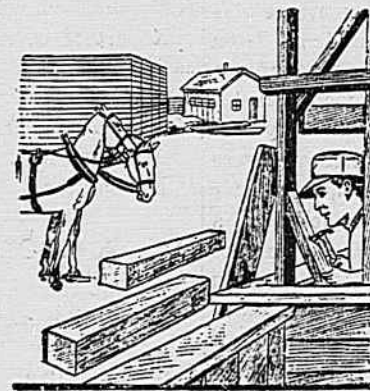
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raids, that he conspired in taking a captured still from the sheriff's office in the summer of 1921, that in a drunken brawl in a local cafe he threatened the proprietor and forced him to serve him and a negro woman who accompanied him, the indictment alleges.

The indictment further charges that the officer failed to arrest J. D. Klugh after warrants had been issued for his arrest on charges of illicit distilling, though he was seen

talking to Klugh afterwards, it is alleged.

The indictment was brought in county court by Solicitor M. F. Sanders, who alleges that the charges are substantiated by affidavits and oral testimony of numerous witnesses.

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