

Trample not under foot, then, the little pleasures which a gracious Providence scatters in the daily path, and which, in eager search after some great and exciting joy, we are apt to overlook. Why should we always keep our eyes fixed on the bright, distant horizon, while there are so many lovely roses in the garden in which we are permitted to walk? The very ardor of our chase after happiness, may be the reason that she so often eludes our grasp.—From "Strength for Every Day."

The governor of South Carolina finds no day too hot to make a pass at some official head.

'Tis not the first time that South Carolina soldiers have rendered service to their State without pay.

The appointment of William E. Gonzales as minister to Cuba is apparently as pleasing to those who do not like him as it is to those who do.

Kershaw's \$200,000 cotton mill has been completed. Will be opened with marketing of the new crop of cotton. Kershaw itself furnished \$150,000 of the capital involved.

The management of the Isle of Palms are great believers in newspaper advertising. Nearly every paper coming to our desk the past week contained an illustrated page advertisement telling of the charm of the seaside resort.

If when completed the Camden Hospital is so fortunate as to engage a corps of nurses as efficient, lovely and attentive as those employed by its competitor at Columbia, we know lots of fellows who would not be unhappy as its patients.

Bill John Arthur Johnson has sailed for Europe where he hopes to recoup his financial losses sustained in dealing with the American courts. Here is hoping that some European "pau" has developed a punch sufficient to rebuke Jack to the discard.

"They cry 'Times are hard, money is tight, starvation is ahead.' Everybody knows by this time that these calamity howlers are just plain, everyday liars, or that they have distorted visions. As a matter of fact money gets scarce in this country every summer, a man must work or starve or beg for a living. It's that way everywhere and will be to the end of time. We believe now, as we have always believed, that a man who honestly strives need have little fear of hard times, says the Rock Hill Record.

"THEY SAY"

Humanity comprises a puzzling assortment of individuals. A portion of it journeys through life sowing seeds of kindness, fostering good cheer and stimulating the spirit of happiness. Another portion seems content to paddle its own canoe, attend strictly to its own affairs and let the world wag as it will. A third portion is satisfied only when it finds an opportunity to meddle in affairs which do not concern it and to tarnish reputations, wreck characters and make life utterly miserable for those who are so unfortunate as to come within reach of its tentacles.

The life work of the latter portion is pretty accurately described in the following article clipped from the Pictorial Review:

"They say, 'Have You Heard?' 'Two wee phrases! Five short—'It's the words! But they have done more damage than all the rest of dictionary rolled together. They have wrecked homes and broken many hearts. They have ruined promising careers and thrown business firms into bankruptcy. They have disrupted churches and plunged old friends into bitter legal fights. They have robbed innocent children of parents and sent young girls, broken hearted and unwedded to their graves. They have turned merely foolish young girls into wicked ones and they have sent innocent men to prison. And they belong particularly to the vocabulary of women. They are peculiarly the weapons of the so-called gentler sex.

"Marshal Brink's arrest of James Jones for beating his wife" founds a man to the circle of romances in the post office. And it is so Jim Jones is tried and fined in open court. This is not gossip, it is a plain brutal statement of fact. "Have you heard that Mrs. Blank has left her husband?" inquires Mrs. Meddlesome at the Sewing Circle. "They do say he treats her something awful. Last night coming

home after prayer meeting my Mary heard her crying on fearfully, and this morning I saw her, bag in hand, hurrying for the 7:49 train. They say she's gone back to her folks."

And so Tom Blank, silent, perhaps even surly, but adored by his understanding wife, acquires a reputation for cruelty, when in reality Mrs. Blank was "carrying on" over a telegram announcing the death of a favorite sister. In her grief, she had forgotten to announce to her curious neighbors that she was going home to the funeral.

Had the meddlesome and imaginative mother of Mary the eavesdropper, been pinned down to FACTS, she must have admitted that no one had really heard of Mrs. Blanks leaving her husband, and that no one had said that he treated his wife ill. The entire story was built on the imagination and sensational tastes of a gossip-monger, innocent, if surly. Mr. Blank wonders why his neighbors look at him coldly in his hour of loneliness. And when Mrs. Blank returns, she must add to the burden of her grief that of denying an ugly story about her home life.

All this does not mean that men are devoid of curiosity or malice, only that they have a more direct way of justifying both. They go after FACTS. Men do gossip, but they repeat what they KNOW. Women take a chance on repeating the little they have heard, and color the result with a thick application of imagination. Men rarely use the phrase, "They say." Rather it is "Brown told me." And then Brown is held responsible for the rumor or statement. Men may be curious about the doings of their neighbors, or what goes on in the offices and stores of their competitors, but they also have a wholesome respect for scandal and libel laws, and a simple and practical way of demanding facts concerning current stories. The story which is built on fact, or the bit of gossip which is cruel, but true, will not work an injustice nor injure the innocent. But the tale prefaced by the little phrase, "They say," is reasonably sure to drag some guiltless party through the mire of scandal and suffering."

THE LaGRANGE IDEA.

An interesting and admirable plan has been devised by the LaGrange (Ga.) Chamber of Commerce to develop the resources of Troup county as a whole as well as those of the city itself. The far-sighted leaders of this organization realize that the interests of town and country, far from being distinct, are inseparably blended, that municipal growth depends upon rural growth, that good farms are the foundation of good business. This idea is appealing more and more keenly to agencies of civic progress the country over, but it is doubtful that it has ever before been worked out in so thorough and far-reaching detail as by the LaGrange Chamber of Commerce.

The proposed development will be carried forward along three main lines of activity. For one thing the landowners of the county are asked to pledge themselves and their tenants to a systematic plan of progressive farming. To all those who enter in this movement, the Chamber of Commerce will send regular bulletins on agricultural matters and will also maintain freely for their benefit a bureau of information. One of the distinctive features of this system will be an insistence upon the planting of a certain number of acres in corn, sorghum, hay and other food products and raising of a certain amount of meat. The LaGrange Reporter declares that already many leading farmers and farm owners throughout the county have signified their willingness to co-operate in this enterprise and to specify that their tenants do so.

Another method of development will be the establishment, through a stock company organized under the direction of the Chamber of Commerce, of a series of so-called "Rural Neighborhoods," each comprising from ten to twenty-five hundred-acre farms, sixty acres being allotted to cultivation and forty to pasture and woodland. "On each farm we are told, 'will be erected modern farm houses, up-to-date barns and each will be equipped with whatever is necessary for really modern farming. In the midst of each settlement, there will be a well equipped and well conducted school. The community will keep at the disposal of each neighborhood forces of workmen and machinery, so that farmers who have sickness or labor trouble will nevertheless be able to get their work done, and practically at cost prices. With such a plan in operation, the success financially, socially and economically of each neighborhood is assured."

In addition to the two projects mentioned, it is also purposed to hold each autumn a big county fair through which will be shown in concrete form the county's development along systematic lines; and this, it is believed, those who are not already enlisted in the general movement will be convinced of its practical value and will fall in with the progressive march."

If the LaGrange Chamber of Commerce succeeds in carrying into effect even one of these interesting enterprises (and indications are that it will succeed in them all) a vast

deal will have been done for the upbuilding of the city and of the county as a whole. The all important fact is that this alert body of business leaders have set out with method as well as energy to develop the great sources of urban prosperity—the sources of food supply and of the material on which commerce and industry depend. Their purpose is to make Troup county a rich garden that will beckon homeseekers and investors from every part of the South and the nation; and when that is done, the future of LaGrange itself will be assured of a prosperity even more abundant than that it has hitherto enjoyed.—Atlanta Journal.

HOG PRODUCTION

And Conditions for Success in the Southern States.

Atlanta, Ga., July 1.—In the effort to encourage Southern farmers to raise more hogs, the Southern Railway, through its live stock department, has issued a booklet entitled, "Hog Production and Conditions for Success in the South," a copy of which will be furnished on request by F. L. Word, Live Stock Agent, Atlanta, Ga.

The booklet contains much practical and valuable information as to the care and feeding of hogs, selection of breeds, treatment of diseases, and cutting and curing meat. Chapters on each subject have been supplied by experts. That the South consumes more pork and raises less than any other part of the United States despite the fact that pork can be produced more cheaply in the South than in the North or West, is a well known fact and a condition that greatly impedes the progress of the section. The long open season and the great variety of food crops at the command give the Southern farmer the opportunity to make more money raising hogs than is possible in any other territory.

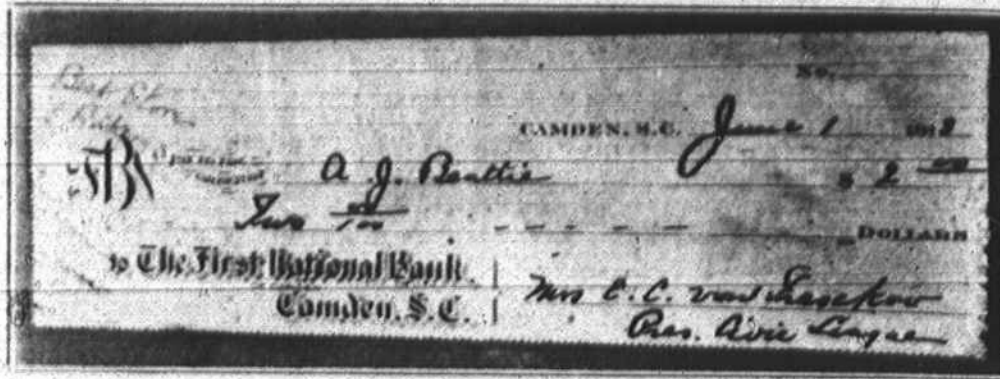
The Live Stock Department of the Southern Railway devotes its efforts entirely to stimulating interest in live stock raising in the territory along the Southern railway and the services of its experts are available without charge of any kind to any farmer or other person interested in live stock.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

All parties indebted to the estate of Henrietta Anderson, deceased, are hereby notified to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and all parties having claims against said estate will present them duly attested. Robt. Murphy, Executor. June 12, 1913.

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Fraudulent Remedies Cheat People Out of Millions Annually.

Within the last five years, no less than 500 fraudulent "cures" for consumption have been tried upon thousands of victims in the United States, and the exploiters of these nostrums have reaped a clear profit of not less than \$50,000,000.

This is an estimate made by The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis in a bulletin issued to-day.

The National Association estimates that not less than \$20,000,000 is invested in the business of manufacturing and exploiting fake cures for tuberculosis, and that the annual income from these concerns and individuals is \$15,000,000. About one-third of this amount is spent for advertising, leaving a profit of \$10,000,000 a year, which is "blood money" taken from ignorant consumptives.

Three kinds of consumption cure frauds are distinguished by the As-

sociation, the first being the "institute" fraud, where a pseudo-hospital or dispensary is established and the wily "doctor" or "professor" administers "treatments" at so much per head. These concerns also carry on a mail order business with great profit. The second group of cures contains over a hundred different kinds of drugs and "patent" devices, any of which may be purchased at a drug store. Usually the consumptive is charged from \$1.00 to \$5.00 for these and the institute "cures," when he could make them up himself in exactly the same form for from one to five cents.

The third group of "cures" includes home-made remedies, which certain self-deluded individuals believe will cure tuberculosis. Among them are such things as onions, lemons, coal smoke, pig's blood, alcohol, dog oil, teas of various kinds, and a variety of diets, including goat's meat, clabbered milk and a score of other articles. These are not usually advertised for profit, but are usually given publicity in various ways.

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