

LOCAL AND PERSONAL MENTION.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Shands and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Robertson of Clinton were in the city Sunday attending the Thacker meetings on Sunday morning.

Mr. H. Douglas Gray returned Saturday from a business trip to White Rock, S. C.

After a residence of thirty-five years in San Antonio and Dalton, Texas, Mrs. Sue Adams has returned to Laurens and is making her home with her sister, Mrs. Martha E. Wilkes.

Mrs. Belton Owens of the Eden section was in the city Friday shopping.

Miss Niza Sullivan who is teaching in Sullivan township, was in the city Saturday.

Mr. J. W. Humphries of Cross Keys visited in the city Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Taylor spent Saturday and Sunday with Princeton relatives.

Miss Lona Mae Humphries after spending several weeks with her sister, Mrs. A. J. Taylor, has returned to her home in Union county.

Mr. J. C. Wasson is preparing to build on South Harper street.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Newwood spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Bailey, near Leesville.

Mr. Levi Stone of the Mt. Bethel section will move to the city within the next few weeks and take charge of Mrs. W. A. Clarke's farm. He will occupy the Sem cottage on East Main street.

Mr. W. P. Thomason, Sr. has returned from a visit to his son, Mr. Hosen Thomason at Woodruff.

Mr. R. H. Young is spending a few days in the city after an extended visit to relatives at Ware Shoals and Hones Path.

Mr. A. P. Moore who has been engaged in business in Florida during the past year is at home for the holidays.

Mr. Jasper E. Johnson of Gray Court was in the city yesterday.

Mr. Lander Willis was in the city Tuesday from Gray Court.

The walks have been laid off on the court house yard, but there are a good many people who haven't learned yet that walkways were made to walk on.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong has moved from his old home on Gray Court, route one, to Laurens.

Miss Leavell of Newberry is visiting Miss Josie Sullivan.

Master Oscar Babb has returned to his home in Greenville after a visit to his grandmother, Mrs. Martha Babb.

Mrs. Martin Teague has returned to her home in Mountville after a visit to her son, Dr. J. H. Teague.

Miss Ora Dell Hunter of Ora spent Sunday in the city with friends.

Mrs. A. W. Anderson has returned to Augusta after a visit to Mrs. Foster Simpson.

Mrs. John D. Davis of Clinton spent Thursday in the city.

Miss Lizzie Glenn is visiting Mrs. T. D. Darlington.

Misses Tallulah, Eliza and Julia Neville of Clinton spent last Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. H. K. Aiken.

Miss Fronde Kennedy of Clinton was in the city yesterday and attended the Thacker meeting last night.

Mr. B. F. Arthur of Union was in the city on Monday and Tuesday.

CLERKS SALE

The State of South Carolina, County of Laurens.

IN COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

ENTERPRISE BANK, Plaintiff,

vs

O. P. GOODWIN, R. A. COOPER, as Assignee of O. P. GOODWIN and F. P. McGowan as Agent of Creditors of O. P. GOODWIN, Defendant.

Pursuant to a decree of Foreclosure & sale in the above stated case, I will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder, at Laurens, C. H., S. C. on Saturday in January next, being Monday the 3rd day of the month, during the legal hours for such sales, the following described property to wit:

All those lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in said county and state, described as follows, to wit:

All that piece, parcel or tract of land containing 72 acres more or less, known as the Hairston Tract, bounded by lands of W. A. Shand, M. A. Sumner and others, also, all the right title and interest of said defendants (the same being a 2-3 undivided interest therein) in and to all that tract, piece or parcel of land containing 124 acres, more or less, known as the O. P. Goodwin place, bounded by lands of W. A. Shand, M. A. Sumner and others.

Terms of Sale: One-half cash, balance to be paid twelve months from date of sale, the credit portion to be paid twelve months from date of sale, the credit portion to be secured by bond and mortgage of the purchaser over the said premises, bearing legal interest from date, with leave to purchaser to pay his entire bid in cash. Purchaser to pay for papers. If the terms of sale are not complied with, the land to be resold on same or some subsequent Saturday on same terms, at risk of former purchaser.

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CATS ON THE FARM.

More Apt to Kill Chickens and Birds Than Rats.

Many an innocent hawk, skunk, owl and weasel has been shot for the deeds of that sleek highwayman, the house cat. It is safe to say that this marauder, which enjoys all the comforts and protection of a home, destroys in the aggregate more wild birds and young poultry than all the native natural enemies combined. A cat has been known to kill a whole brood of chickens in a day, a feat unequalled by any predaceous animal, with the possible exception of the mink. Others in the course of a season have practically destroyed whole coveys of quail or grouse or nests full of young songsters. A well known naturalist estimates that in the New England states alone 1,500,000 birds are destroyed annually by cats.

The offender is not so often the well fed household pet as it is the abandoned and neglected outcast. In 1905 the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in New York city killed monthly an average of 6,000 sick, injured or homeless cats—a total for the year of over 700,000. A considerable proportion of these were pets abandoned by people who had gone to the country for the summer.

Moreover, summer visitors to the mountains or seashore sometimes take with them their cats, which, on their return home, are too often left behind to swell the local overflow and make serious inroads on the birds of the region. It is safe to assume that in the rest of the state outside of New York city as many cats follow a nomadic life as in the city, and if we assume that each cat kills one bird a week we have a grand total of over 3,500,000 birds destroyed annually. In the milder parts of our country, as in the chaparral region of California, where bird life is abundant, cats often revert to a semiwild state and never revisit their old homes except for plunder. Sportsmen and bird lovers should be ever watchful and whenever possible remove marauding cats from the coverts.

The principal reasons given for keeping cats are their attractiveness as house pets, their usefulness as companions for children and their alleged value as rat and mouse killers. It is impossible at present to obtain correct figures on the subject, but it is safe to say that few persons during a normal lifetime run across more than half a dozen cats that habitually attack rats. Occasionally a hunter cat is found which seems to delight in catching rats, gophers or ground squirrels. It is a common experience to find premises that are well supplied with cats overrun with rats and mice. At a certain ranch in the west a member of the agricultural department in Washington trapped eight mice in his bed, although there were eight cats on the ranch.

Facts About the Potato.

An authority tells us that the potato has a large and unique relationship. Tobacco, tomatoes, eggplant and peppers belong to the family. Probably that is why the potato bug is so often destructive to these crops. It is asked, "How can a potato grow other potato vines from the eyes since it is not a root, fruit or seed?" That is answered by way of illustration: A stem of almost any plant will produce another plant from the place where the leaves come out on it. If one will break off a piece of rosebush and plant it in a favorable place it will produce another rosebush, just as a potato will produce another vine.

In a wild state the potato vine is very hardy and will grow to a considerable height. It is said that the In-



A WELL SHAPED SEED POTATO.

dians did not cultivate the potato except for its leaves, which became known as their tobacco; hence the leaves and stalks of tobacco are large, but there are no signs of potatoes at the roots. So much for cultivation.

On account of the starch they contain, potatoes are valuable as food. The potato tuber consists mainly of a mass of cells filled with starch and encircled by a thin, corky rind. As stated, the chief value of the potato as an article of diet consists in the starch it contains and, to a less extent, in the potash and other salts. The quantity of nitrogen in its composition is small.

Treatment of Sick Fowls.

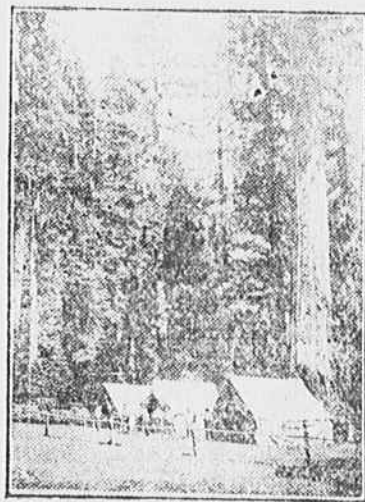
In the majority of cases the sick fowl should be killed, according to an authority. Generally it does not pay to doctor sick fowls, and often the sick fowl that recovers is not the one that amounts to anything afterward. This is particularly the case with fowls sick with the roup. This disease seems to permeate every fiber of the birds, and if they recover at all they are of little value for a long time. It is doubtful if they ever fully recover their old vigor. If one owns a high priced bird it may prove to be profitable to cure it for the sake of the eggs that it may produce, which eggs may be used for hatching other high priced birds. But a fowl that has been sick and has been cured should not be sold to an unsuspecting customer. The fowls that are to be doctored should be given good food and good surroundings rather than anything else. Their native vigor will help them to recover when medicine would be a detriment. Sunshine is an invigorator and may well be considered a great help in the doctoring of fowls.

Farm and Garden

FORESTS FOR UNCLE SAM.

Gifts to Enable the Government to Save Big Trees.

One of the most public spirited gifts ever made to the government came during the year from William Kent of Chicago, who has deeded to the United States 295 acres of primeval redwood forest on the southern slope of Mount Tamalpais, about six miles from the city of San Francisco. This grove is one of few remaining tracts of redwood forest to be found in its natural state in California. At the request of Mr. Kent it will be called the Muir woods, in honor of John Muir, the noted naturalist. The destruction of redwood by lumbering has been very rapid during the last decade. The large timber in the Muir woods has escaped the ax partly because of its location and partly because the former owners of the tract have protected it. Now that the gift has been accepted



FOREST TO BE ACQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT.

by the government under authority of the law which provides that objects of scientific interest may be declared national monuments the woods will be perpetuated. No other redwood tract in the state of California is so easily accessible to so many people. Its great educational value, together with the fact that it is a pleasure ground for all those who live in or visit this part of California, makes the woods an ideal national monument.

By an act of congress passed Feb. 18, 1909, a way was found to save for all time one of the most famous groves of trees in the world—the Calaveras big tree grove of California. For more than nine years the people of California, particularly the 500 women of the California club, have been working to interest the government in protecting the big trees from destruction. The act finally passed by congress provides for the acquisition of the grove by an exchange which will give its former owner stumps or other forest lands owned by the government in place of the timber in the grove. No appropriation is needed to carry out the act.

The land to be acquired under the act includes 4,000 acres, of which 900 acres, known as the north grove, are in Calaveras county, and 3,040, known as the south grove, are in Tuolumne county. There are 1,280 big trees in the grove, not counting specimens less than six feet in diameter. Besides the big trees, whose scientific name is Sequoia washingtoniana, there are hundreds of sugar and yellow pines ranging to the height of 275 feet and often having a diameter of eight or ten feet, as well as many white firs and incense cedars.

In the north grove there are ten trees each of which is over twenty-five feet in diameter and more than seventy from fifteen to twenty-five feet in diameter.

Vinegar Season is Near.

Bulletin No. 258 of the New York experiment station recommends the following as one of the most satisfactory methods of making vinegar: When the cider is pressed from the apples the barrels should be piled about two-thirds full and the bung replaced by a loose plug of cotton, which will lessen evaporation and keep out bugs and dirt. Where the quantity of vinegar to be made is considerable the barrels should be placed in a room where the temperature can be kept from 70 to 80 degrees during the fall and early winter months. If the batch is small the barrels may be left out of doors while the weather is warm and then placed in the warmest room convenient and later placed in a dry cellar.

If the temperature of the storeroom does not fall below 45 degrees the conversion of the sugar into alcohol will require about six months, but the process of fermentation may be hastened by an addition of fresh commercial yeast. When the cider has quit working the clear portion should be drawn off, the barrel rinsed out and the liquid replaced, with the addition of from two to four quarts of good vinegar containing some mother. The next process, the change of the alcohol into acetic acid, may be effected in three months and may require two years. In any event, it will take place most rapidly in a temperature ranging from 65 to 76 degrees. When the vinegar has reached the proper strength, which should be 5 per cent of acetic acid, the barrels should be filled full and tightly corked. This will prevent other changes and will cause the vinegar to keep its strength. If one has considerable vinegar to make it would be well for him to secure the bulletin referred to.

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Dr. B. F. Posey Laurens, South Carolina

SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY. (Schedule Effective June 20, 1909.)

N. B.—These schedule figures show the time that trains may be expected to arrive and depart but the times shown are not guaranteed.

East and West bound trains from Spartanburg, S. C.

7:30 A. M.—No. 36, daily, for Charlotte, Washington, Richmond, New York and intermediate points. Arrive Charlotte 10:35 A. M., Richmond 9:30 P. M., Washington 10:55 P. M., New York 6:50 A. M.

9:50 A. M.—No. 42, daily except Sunday, for Charlotte and intermediate points. Arrive Charlotte 12:45 P. M.

1:45 P. M.—No. 12, daily local, for Richmond and intermediate points. Arrive Richmond 7:00 A. M.

5:20 P. M.—No. 38, daily, ("New York-Atlanta-New Orleans Limited") for Washington, New York and the East. Arrive Washington 6:50 A. M., New York 1:00 P. M., Pullman cars, dining cars.

8:10 P. M.—No. 40, daily, for Charlotte and intermediate points.

9:00 P. M.—No. 30, daily, for Washington and New York. Pullman cars, dining cars. Arrive Washington 10:40 A. M., New York 5:00 P. M.

10:30 A. M.—No. 9, daily, for Asheville and intermediate points. Arrive Asheville 2:10 P. M.

5:35 P. M.—No. 13, daily, for Asheville and intermediate points. Arrive Asheville 9:15 P. M. Parlor-car, club car, observation car and dining car.

6:50 A. M.—No. 29, daily, for Atlanta and Birmingham. Pullman cars, dining cars. Arrive Atlanta 10:30 A. M., arrive Birmingham 4:00 P. M.

11:25 A. M.—No. 39, daily, for Atlanta and intermediate points, connecting at Atlanta for all points west. Arrive Atlanta 3:55 P. M.

1:30 P. M.—No. 37, daily, ("New York-Atlanta-New Orleans Limited") for Atlanta and New Orleans. Arrive Atlanta 5:00 N. M., New Orleans 7:55 P. M. Pullman sleeping car, club car, observation car and dining car.

2:35 P. M.—No. 11, daily local, for Atlanta and way stations. Arrive Atlanta 8:30 P. M.

1:10 A. M.—No. 35, daily, solid train to New Orleans with Pullman cars and dining car. Arrive Atlanta 5:00 A. M., New Orleans 8:30 P. M. Southbound from Columbia.

6:55 A. M.—No. 29, daily, for Savannah and Jacksonville. Pullman cars.

7:55 A. M.—No. 12, daily, for Charleston and intermediate points.

3:50 P. M.—No. 14, daily, for Charleston and way stations.

2:15 A. M.—No. 16, daily, for Charleston. Pullman car. Summer excursion tickets now on sale.

For further information, call on ticket agents Southern railway, or J. L. Meek.

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