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Grading Cream Pays

Prof. G. L. Martin of the Agricultural College Gives a Few Good Reasons.

The old question of the grading cream to secure a high grade of butter, comes around yearly regularly as the woodpecker. It is a matter of justice to every farmer, creameryman and butter eater, yet it takes a lot of hammering, rasping and tempering on an 'old saw' to make it scratch the hardened bark on a good deal of timber in every dairy section.

The only just and honest way is to grade the cream; then the farmer gets more for his cream, the buttermaker can produce a higher grade of butter, and the consumer is able to get value received for his money.

How It Works.

The flavor of the cream determines the flavor of the butter, because the butterfat in the cream very readily absorbs any flavor that may be in the milk or in the cream and it will appear in the butter after it has been churned.

It takes about only one day in hot weather to sour the cream to a point where the bacteria begin to break up the casein. At this point the bad flavors begin and the cream needs to be churned. It takes good cooling vats and plenty of cold water to keep cream more than two days in the summer time. The best way is to deliver it to the creamery at least thrice weekly.

The regular size of a creamery vat is 400 gallons. If a five gallon can of old rotten cream is put in a 400 gallon vat of cream, it will lower the grade of the whole churning and the butter will sell at least two cents a pound lower on the market. In a 400 gallon vat of 30 per cent cream, there will be about 1176 pounds of butter. If this sells for two cents a pound less on the market it will make a difference of $23.52 on the one vat of cream. A can of poor cream will often make a difference of 4 to 6 cents in the selling price of the butter. A 5 gallon can of 30 per cent cream will be worth about $3.50 at the creamery, but when mixed with good cream it will reduce the value of the churning $23.52. From this is seen that it will pay to dump the poor cream in the gutter rather than to lower the grade of the entire churning of butter.

How to Grade Cream.

A great many creameries all over the country have changed to the grading plan with excellent success. The usual rules are to make two grades of cream and pay a premium of from 2 to 5 cents per pound of butterfat on all cream grading first.

First Grade; All sweet cream having a clean, pleasant odor and flavor with a smooth, even consistency.

Second Grade; All sour cream reasonably clean and pleasant in odor and flavor and free from dirt and lumps.

In some places it is necessary for cream to test 35 per cent or above and delivered at the creamery twice a week in winter and three times a week in the summer, in order to grade first. Other creameries pay an additional 1½ cents per pound to have the cream delivered on certain days. This plan works out very satisfactorily at certain seasons as it cuts down the running expense of the creamery.

Any man who takes a pride in doing things well, will keep his cream cool, clean and sweet—and is helping to build up the local creamery. He is adding to the wealth, credit and contentment of his neighbors. That is true co-operation which makes it a better place to work, to live and to be a good citizen.—Dakota Farmer.

Preaching Service September 14.

Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at the Axel Hansen school house, Rev. A. F. Breen will hold divine service. Preaching in Norwegian tongue. After the service a social hour will be enjoyed and ice cream cake and lemonade will be sold. The receipts from the sale of refreshments will go to the Sims church.

Axel Peterson's Child Dies.

Saturday noon, August 30, the five months' old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Peterson, died after a prolonged illness. The funeral took place Tuesday, and interment was in the Sims cemetery.

People Read Arena Ads Each Week.

Contestant Ballot

Good for 10 VOTES

Name.....

Address.....

The Old Order Changeth.

Travellers Notice Great Changes Made Over State in the Enforcement of Law

"Prohibition has come to stay. And not at any time since I have been in this state has the prohition Law been enforced so generally as now, nor was public sentiment ever so greatly aroused against the blind piggers on the Slope as it is today," said a well-known traveling man. "The officers are determined to live up to the law as it is written and the surplus money that the people have to 'blow' for booze can be turned in to a fund to repair streets and sidewalks it it is not used to buy raiment for the family" he concluded.

The above statement is only one of many which can be heard at any time if one is around the places where people, well informed on statewide conditions, congregate. The state is overwhelmingingly for prohibition and it is rather amusing to hear a number of people addicted to the use of alcoholic beverages, declaim in loud strident voices that "The people want the saloons and the ——d d——d temperance people are afraid of having the matter resubmitted to a vote of the people." The boozers applaud—for has not one of their own number said something which each one of the group can agree? But for all he has said, he has not adduced one particle of evidence to substantiate his claim. Perhaps he believes his mere assertion is all that is needed to make the entire population believe—or possibly he is a latter day Joshua on whom the sun and moon waits to be bidden to rise or set.

The fact that Business & Booze never get along together, is known everywhere. Big industrial and commercial institutions have amply demonstrated this and have let out user of alcoholics and filled his place with non-alcoholic liquor drinking men. They have statistics to back up their actions and also to back up this assertion, "If you hav a job and if you use booze, do one of two things—cut out booze and attend to business, or cut out business, because the two do not harmonize."

Married in Mandan.

Tuesday afternoon in Mandan, Miss Eda Iverson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Iverson of Carl, and Mr. Frank Wallace of Mott, were united in marriage by Judge J. C. Johnson. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Wallace left for a short wedding tour. They will return to Mott to make their future home.

State Bank Examiner Here.

Examiner P. E. Holderman of the N. D. Bank Examiner's office, Bismarck, spent Thursday going over the books of the Farmers State Bank and found everything OK. After concluding the work at this place he left for Glen Ullin.

Centralizers Beneficial

They Help Farmers in Small Communities to Sell Cream Quite Readily and Profitably

What chance would countrymen have to dispose of dairy produce in towns where there are no creameries it it were not for the numerous centralizing plants in the twin cities and other points tributary to the cream producing states?

Much is being said in the farm press anent this matter. Many of the local creameries are throwing epithets at the great companies for drawing heavily upon the territory from which the local concern would like to receive tribute.

Local creameries in towns and communities where enough patrons can be secured to supply cream, are a splendid thing. In many places throuut the state of North Dakota, creameries have been tried and the profit which should accrue to the farmer who sells cream is eaten up in the expense of management. Others places the old plants stand idle and are rotting to the ground.

"A the fault of the centralizers" say the thoughtless ones. Let us reason why it is the fault of the centralizers. First, the small number of cows in the neighborhood of the creamery, compels the buttermaker to pay a low price for cream or in simple plain English, the creamery man wants the producer to reverse all laws of business—sell in the lowest market and buy n the highest. cream producer feels he is not being treated just as he believes is right. He is compelled to take a smaller price for his own product at the local creamery and be satisfied with being told that "Local patriotism should make him willing to sacrifice part of his profits" and he finds thu, that this brand of patrotism is not practiced by other business men. He ponders the matter and finally decides that if he cannot receive a dollars and cents value for his produce at home, he is at liberty to sell it in the market where it will produce the greatest amount of profit for him. and he ships to the centralizing concern. He does receive more for his cream. He also has his can shipped back the same day, washed and ready for use. He also gets his money as soon as the mail trains can bring it. He is satisfied with this treatment and also feels that the $1 to $2 per ten gallon can of cream creamery offers is net profit. It is which he receives above the home. He is entitled to it. He is in business for profit. He wants all that is to be derived from his cream and cows. This is the way he gets it.

Second. In many places there are no creameries within many miles. The railroad station is handy and the centralizing companies have made it easy for the man to ship his cream, only he would bring no profit to the farmer. He is benefited by having some place where he can dispose of his product. The big plant in a distant city has facilities to handle and quickly dispose of great amounts of cream and butter. They take a small profit from each can and turn the balance to the farmer as profit from his work. Every effort is made by these concerns to stimulate production and increase the quality of the product.

In territory where there are creameries the centralizers and the creameries generally have an understanding as to the price to be paid for cream. This does not usually run to the harm of the local institution—rather it should run in their favor as a three cent difference is made by the local and distant buyer.

Could the average shipper stand at the receiving rooms of the large twin city concerns and watch the unloading of car after car of cream cans, he would marvel at the great things being done to enhance the value of the dairy cow. He would then realize that it is thru the great size alone, and the great supply of cream coming from places he never knew existed, that enables the centralizing plant to continue in business and pay a high price for the cream. He would realize that here is brought together daily many thousands of dollars worth of cream, the money for which is distributed over an immense territory. He would realize that by systematic work and utilization of the large kinds of mechanical helps, the cost of handling the cream and butter is reduced to a minimum. He will see that this saving is plant maintenance is more than enough to offset the freight and buyer's commission, so that the producer of cream receives more than he could get in selling to anoe local institution that was trying o operate with less than 1000 cows.

Where the country is sparsely settled, where the spirit of co-operation has not been developed sufficiently, and where the people do not possess sufficient "local patriotism" to forego a part of their profits, the great benefit to the farmers, the great relief from financial stringency, and the ever ready cash resources in the centralizing creamery which daily sends its checks to the farmers in payment for cream.

Banker Anderson's Brother Here.

Friday afternoon, Ernest Anderson, a brother of G. H. Anderson of the Farmers State Bank, arrived here from Alta, Iowa, to visit for a short time.

Mrs. Emma Baisden left the fore part of the week for Mandan to remain for work at that point.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

CONDENSATIONS OF GREATER OR LESSER IMPORTANCE.

A BOILING DOWN OF EVENTS

National, Political, Personal and Other Matters in Brief Form for All Classes of Readers.

WASHINGTON.

Representative Nolan has introduced a bill to prohibit interstate shipment of convict-made goods.

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Representative Barclay has introduced a bill proposing more severe penalties for offenders against the Sherman anti-trust law.

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The house passed a bill appropriating expenses of the American delegation to the International Alcoholic conference at Milan, Italy, next month.

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Chairman Clayton of the House judiciary committee introduced a resolution asking authority for the investigation of charges against Federal Judge Speer of Georgia.

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In response to the Sutherland resolution Secretary McAdoo submitted a report showing nearly $10,000,000 would be saved by importers holding goods in bonded warehouses for the new tariff.

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Representative Johnson of Washington has introduced a resolution requesting the president to negotiate with British and Canadian governments for railway connections between the United States and Alaska.

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Attempts to increase the limit of the proposed income tax on the larger incomes failed in the senate when Senators Borah, Bristow and Cummins led an effort to amend the income tax section of the democratic tariff bill.

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Representative Underwood, democratic house leader, has issued a statement deploring the delay the administration currency measure has met in the democratic caucus through the absence of a sufficient number of majority members to bring the measure to a final vote.

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A contract for 3,8000 tons of armor plate for the newest American dreadnaught, now under construction, has been awarded by the Navy department to the Carbon Steel company of Pittsburgh, at $187.04 per ton, a reduction of $36.93, or 26 per cent under the last accepted bid for this material.

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Slavery in the full meaning of the word exists throughout the Philippines, even in the city of Manila, and peonage is general in the islands, according to a special report Commissioner Dean Worcester has made to the insular government. It has not been received by the War department, but copies are in the hands of other officials.

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Amendments offered to the tariff bill by the Nebraska senators would, if adopted, not only throttle the trusts, but would disintegrate the huge fortunes which have resulted from monopolistic production. Senator Hitchcock introduced in amended form his proposal for a graduated tax on monopolistic production and Senator Norris offered an inheritance tax amendment of extremely drastic purport.

DOMESTIC.

Eastern steamship offices report 20,000 reservations already made by Americans for trips to the Panama canal next winter. Last winter's rush was only a starter.

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The value of the grindstones and pulpstones produced in the United States last year was the greatest in the history of the industry.

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George A. Hartman, the leper, who was recently isolated at quarantine camp near St. Louis, has escaped for the second time since he was taken to the quarantine camp, less than three weeks ago.

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Woman suffrage in New Jersey received a setback of at least one year through an opinion by Assistant Attorney General Gaskill that the failure properly to advertise the proposed change in the state's constitution renders impossible the ratification of suffrage by this winter's legislature.

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Advices from China to Catholic officials in San Francisco tell of the death of Father Francis Bernat, a Franciscan missionary, at the hands of Chinese fanatics in a remote region of North Shensi on June 13 last.

John D. jr., gave a 10-cent tip to a waiter in Boston.

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Senator Boies Penrose is 53, an age at which a man's vocal fighting powers are near the meridian.

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With Governor George W. Clarke of the state of Iowa to welcome visitors to the Hawkeye domain, and Mayor J. F. Rider extending the hand of fellowship in behalf of the city, the Keokuk and Hamilton power dam was formally dedicated.

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A. C. Wells, government animal inspector at St. Louis has announced that there are several thousand cases of hog cholera in the district known as Missouri point, across the Mississippi river from Alton, Ill. The district is quarantined.

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The second of the now nationally known Diggs-Caminetti cases, "the trial of R. D. Caminetti, who must face the charges of violating the Mann white slave act, under which his companion Maury I. Diggs, was convicted, has started in the United States district court before Judge William C. Van Fleet.

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Practical and applied hygiene is much farther advanced in the Philippines than in the United States, according to Dr. Allan J. McLaughlin surgeon of the United States public health service, who was one of the speakers at the sessions of the fourth international congress on school hygiene at Buffalo.

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"The people must be back of all national and international arbitrations and settlements of disputes in order that they may be successful," said Lindley M. Garrison, secretary of war, in an address before the Commercial club at Kansas City. "Differences between nations should be handled diplomatically and we should never act too hastily. I am opposed to war."

WAR ECHOES.

An Exchange Telegraph company dispatch from Shanghai announces that Nanking has fallen, depriving the rebels of their last stronghold.

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A long dispatch to London from Constantinople gives details of negotiations between Turkey and Bulgaria by which it is said the latter has relinquished claim to Adrianople in return for compensation elsewhere.

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The great parade with which President Gomez demonstrated the strength of his military arm at Maracay was an unusual spectacle. A group of twenty political prisoners representing the Castro revolution were marched into Maracay from the barracks at Tapatapa, three miles away, with 6,000 loyal soldiers as their escort. President Gomez hoped to show by the demonstration how futile were seditious plots.

FOREIGN.

Fifty-five great irrigation projects, involving nearly 10,000,000 acres of land, are under consideration for India.

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According to records of the secretary of state's office there are 40,514 automobiles in the state of Nebraska in use.

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Articles for the world's lightweight championship bout, at Vancouver, B. C., between Willie Ritchie and Freddie Welsh, September 20, have been signed.

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The Grand Cross of the Order of Orange-Nassau has been conferred on Andrew Carnegie by Queen Wilhelma of the Netherlands in commemoration of the inauguration of the Palace of Peace.

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Paris (France) Journal says that Jack Johnson, the American pugilist, has purchased a house at Joinville Le Pont, six miles from Paris, where he intends to reside for the requisite time to become a naturalized citizen of France.

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Harry K. Thaw has won three victories over the New York state authorities, and was locked in the Sherbrooke jail, immune, for the time being, from the Dominion immigration authorities; after receiving an ovation from the townspeople of Sherbrooke that would have done credit to a prince of the royal blood.

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D. D. Cairnes, Canadian government geologist, who has just returned from the Shushanna, Alaska, gold district has issued a signed statement, warning persons against stampeding to the district.

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Rumors which have been current of a truce between the militant suffragettes and the British government seem to find support in a letter written by Mrs. Pankhurst to her followers advising them to take a holiday for the present.

FAST TRAINS CRASH, 16 KILLED, 50 HURT

LOCOMOTIVE PLUNGES THROUGH PULLMANS, CRUSHING SLEEPING PASSENGERS.

FAILED TO SEE BLOCK SIGNAL

Only About One-half of the Dead Have Been Identified—Shock of Collision Terrific.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 3.—Sixteen persons lost their lives and forty were injured when the White Mountain express, bound for New York, crashed into the rear end of the second section of the Bar Harbor limited, bearing sojourners from Maine summer resorts. The wreck occurred on the New Haven railroad, just outside the city limits, shortly before 7 a. m. Tuesday.

The number of dead at noon, according to Coroner Mix, including those who died in hospitals, was sixteen. The injured number about fifty. All the dead and injured were in the three rear sleeping cars of the Bar Harbor train. No one was seriously injured on the White Mountain express.

Identification Difficult.

Only about one-half of the dead have been identified. All the passengers were in their night clothes when the collision came, making identification difficult.

Coroner Mix directed that the bodies be collected at a local streetcar barn as a temporary morgue and began at once an inquiry to determine the identity of the dead.

Several of the bodies are those of boys who were members of a camping party returning from Monomth, Me.

Failed to See Block Signal.

Failed to see a block signal veiled in a thick fog is given as cause of the accident by Engineer A. B. Miller, who says that as soon as he realized the danger he did all he could to stop the train. The brakes would not hold on the wet track and the train, running down grade, plowed its way through two wooden Pullman cars, splintered them and killed or wounded most of the sleeping passengers in their berths. The accident recalled the recent wreck on the New Haven at Stamford, Conn., when a second-section train failed to take its brakes and overran a block, dealing death to passengers of the first section.

Victims' Bodies Mangled.

The bodies of most of the victims were mangled.

The shock of the collision was so terrific that linen and bed clothing from the berths in the sleepers was swept out of the broken windows and carried to the telegraph wires and poles near by, where it still hung when the wrecking trains arrived.

The White Mountain express was scarcely scratched by the collision. It proceeded on its way after a few hours' delay, arriving at the station here at 9:40 a. m. and proceeding at once to New York.

The dead were all taken to New Haven. The injured received first aid from physicians on the two trains, later being removed to hospitals.

Engineer Sticks to Post.

The engineer of the White Mountain express stuck to his post and was only slightly hurt. The two sleepers, which were crushed by the impact of engine No. 1237, were reduced to splinters. The locomotive ran on top of the wreckage and remained almost upright for a long time.

Four Persons Killed in Iowa Wreck.

Oelwein, Iowa, Sept. 3.—Four persons were killed and fifteen injured, most of them severely, when a Rock Island passenger train on the Decorah branch left the rails and plunged fifteen feet down a steep embankment near Maynard, Iowa. The train, south-bound, was late and trying to make up time. Two miles south of Maynard the engine left the rails, pulling three coaches with it three train lengths before the train crashed over the embankment and rolled over on its side.

Two Killed, Two Hurt, in Wreck.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Sept. 3. — Fireman Betts and Brakeman Scott were killed, and Conductor Moffatt and Brakeman Miller were injured when a runaway engine left the track of the Idaho Northern extension of the Oregon Short Line, and overturned.

Situation Little Changed.

Pekin, Sept. 3.—The fall of Nanking will result in little change in the situation, the rebels there having been cut off and doomed to defeat for several weeks. The government contingent is proceeding slowly in the work of suppressing the remaining rebels in the various provinces.

LIND WILL STAY IN MEXICO

IS WAITING FOR A CHANGE IN THE SITUATION.

Special Envoy Awaiting for Huerta to Make the Next Move in the Situation.

Washington, Sept. 3.—Secretary Bryan remained at the state department for news from Mexico until a few minutes before his train left for the Maryland shore, where he lectured in the evening. He declared that nothing had been received except messages relating to the movement of American citizens in the southern republic.

Earlier in the day the secretary had conferred with Senator Bacon, chairman of the foreign relations committee, and both stated no further suggestion had been made by Special Envoy Lind to the Huerta government and that no overtures from the Mexican side had been made.

The care of American citizen refugees from Mexico was the subject of routine messages between the department and American officials in Mexico and along the border. Red Cross authorities at New Orleans were notified during the day that Americans from Mexico arriving at that port in need of assistance should be helped to reach their homes in this country.

It was said that John Lind, the American special envoy in Mexico, would remain in Vera Cruz indefinitely; that he was not contemplating any immediate move and merely was waiting for a change in the situation which it was calculated would not be instigated him him nor by any move from Washington.

GIRL IS SHOT IN STRIKE RIOT

Deputies Who Participated in Calumet Battle Are Denounced as Murderers.

Calumet, Mich., Sept. 3.—Margaret Fazekas, 15 years old, was shot in a battle between copper mine strikers and deputies at the North Kearsarge mine and is not expected to live. None of the 13 deputies who participated in the strike has been arrested.

The shooting was denounced as murder at a Labor day mass meeting held at Hancock, at which President Moyer and other officials of the Western Federation of Miners spoke.

Brief Telegraph Siftings

Prairie Chickens Plentiful.

Miller, S. D., Sept. 3.—Prairie chickens are so plentiful and so tame that automobiles have to be slowed up in order to prevent running over the birds is reported in several instances.

One Killed, Four Dying.

Roseau, Minn., Sept. 3.—A threshing engine boiler belonging to Norquist Brothers, living four miles north of Roseau, blew up, killing one man and fatally injuring four others.

Sister's Annoyers Slain.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 3.—After accusing his victims of forcing their attentions upon his sister, Kasemer Wilczak shot and killed John Novock, probably fatally wounded Felix Luszcas and then killed himself.

Municipal Ownership Urged.

Washington, Sept. 3. — Municipal ownership of street railways in the nation's capital, either by outright purhcase or condemnation, was provided in a bill introduced in the house by Representative Crosser of Ohio.

Cannibals Kill Mineralogist.

Brisbane, Australia, Sept. 3.—Word has reached here that John Henry Warner, a mineralogist of German-American descent, was killed and eaten by cannibals in an unexplored region of Papua.

Iowan Robbed of $44,000.

Waverly, Iowa, Sept. 3. — Bloodhounds were used in an effort to solve the theft of $44,000 in cash and securities taken from the bedroom of Henry Weedford, a bachelor and one of the wealthiest men in this section.

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1,871,311 Bales Less Than 1912.

New Orleans, Sept. 3.—The commercial cotton crop for the year ending Aug. 31, amounting to 14,157,114 bales, according to report published by Secretary Hester of the New Orleans cotton exchange. This total represents a decrease of 1,871,311 bales compared with last year, and an increase of 2,047,080 bales over the year before.

MEXICO PROTECTS AMERICAN CITIZENS

SUGGESTIONS OF INTERVENTION REGULT IN REASSURING OF WASHINGTON.

HALE TO REPORT WEDNESDAY

Lind Remains in Vera Cruz, But Little Change Is Seen—Felix Diaz' Candidacy May Help in Solving Peace Puzzle.

Douglas, Ariz., Sept. 3.—Telegraphic advices from Sonora in reply to telegrams from Washington, that maltreatment of Americans courted intervention on the part of the United States, were to the effect that "all Americans and other foreigners would be protected in life and property to the letter in northern Mexico."

On His Way to Washington.

Vera Cruz.—Dr. William Bayard Hale, who is now on his way to Washington and should arrive there Tuesday or Wednesday, is expected to place before President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan important facts in the Mexican situation which have had a bearing on the negotiations between the two countries. John Lind, is still here awaiting instructions from Washington, but so far has not received any indications from the Mexican government that it would be willing to make more concessions to the American demands.

It was considered not improbable that Foreign Minister Gamboa's explanation that General Huerta could not become a candidate for the presidency at the next elections because of the constitutional amendment during the Madero administration, might be construed by the American representatives as an assurance that he would withdraw definitely from the executive power after October at the latest, but Mr. Lind is fully cognizant that the Mexican institution does not prevent General Huerta from resigning and thus rendering himself eligible for the presidency.

Diaz Candidacy Gives Hope.

The announcement that General Felix Diaz may return in time to make a fight for election offers some hope for a settlement, but it is generally regarded as doubtful whether the election of General Diaz, or any other man in whose choice the rebels do not join would go far toward restoring peace in Mexico.

Huerta Stirs Up Mexicans.

Mexico City.—A new wave of patriotism appears to be sweeping over Mexico, and from many states and from all classes, it is announced, assurances of allegiance and offers of service are being received daily by President Huerta and his minister of war.

Plans are being made for as large a display as possible of military strength on Sept. 16, Independence Day, when it is proposed to hold a big parade, in which 20,000 are expected to march.

The war department has been called on to furnish military instructors to a dozen cities, where the fear of being impressed for service against the revolutionists has given away before a later patriotic ardor. Thousands of men of all ages are asking to be drilled in the use of arms.

Nor is the aid afforded the government confined to offers to serve in the ranks. A delegation of planters from the state of Morelos has waited upon the president and tendered a subscription of 3,000,000 pesos.

Bryan Rests and Watches.

Washington.—Secretary of State Bryan upon his return from a short lecture trip announced that nothing had been received from Mexico City to cause any alarm or to change the diplomatic situation that exists between this government and the provisional government in Mexico City.

The secretary remained at his home all day keeping in touch with the state department by telephone and was glad of the opportunity to rest. A few messages were received from the embassy at Mexico City relating to routine developments, such as supplying Americans with means to leave Mexico, and a brief message came from Special Envoy Lind, at Vera Cruz.

U. S. May Send Delegates.

Washington.—Representative Esch of Wisconsin introduced a bill authorizing the president to appoint delegates to represent the United States at the International congress of the "World Purity Federation," to be held at Minneapolis, Nov. 7 to 12.

Overburdened Woman Ends Life.

Fairbault, Minn., Sept. 3.—Mrs. Otto Hoff, said to have been depressed under her life, Saturday by taking an overdose of sleeping powder. She was 56 years old. A widower and two children survive.

News of North Dakota

Telegraph Items of General Interest Gathered From All Sections of the Flickertail State.

TOURISTS HAVE AN ACCIDENT

Automobile Covering 621 Miles in Twenty Hours Wrecked.

Fargo.—The Cadillac "round the state" car tour came to grief six miles south of Carrington. The car met a water wagon on a new grade. The driver signaled the tourists to come along but there was not room on the grade and the car started to topple over. Reporter White jumped and landed in a slough, but Driver Rickard, in order to save the party from injury, turned the head of the car down the steep grade. None of the party were injured except White, who was thoroughly soaked. When the car was pulled out it was discovered the engine was hopelessly wrecked and the rest of the tour was abandoned.

Traveling over North Dakota dirt roads, many of them new and recently graded, the Cadillac tourists made 454 8-10 miles in thirteen hours and twenty minutes. This was an average of thirty-three and one-half miles an hour. The best time was made by Horton, driving from Fargo to Devils Lake. Redmond also did well driving from Devils Lake to Minot and Rickard was doing fine work from Minot to Jamestown when the accident occurred.

Manager Horton of the Horton Motor company, while greatly disappointed at the failure to complete the last part of the run, is elated over the splendid showing of the Cadillac under such a severe test. The car used was a 1913 model and forty-fifty horse power, four cylinder. It is probable that another attempt will be made later if weather conditions remain favorable for awhile.

IGNORE "FULL VALUE" LAW.

Best Lands in North Dakota Assessed at Only $7.58 an Acre.

Bismarck.—Class county lands are assessed the highest of any in the state, the state board of equalization, in session here, fixing the assessment at $7.58 an acre. Traill is second, with values of $7.43.

These figures are interesting in view of the fact that the state constitution provides that all properties shall be taxed at their full value. No attempt has ever been made to comply with this provision.

The state board has increased the assessments this year on farm lands, structures on lands, city lots and structures on city lots, a total of $4,576,773.

The Billings county farm land values were increased 22½ per cent, while city lots and city structures were decreased 40 per cent.

NEW ROCKFORD IS GROWING.

Good Crop and Railway Building Aid in Forward Movement.

New Rockford.—With good crop prospects, and with New Rockford assuming new importance as a railroad center, much building is under way here. New Rockford is at a commanding point on the new Fargo-Minot cut-off, and it also will be the terminus of the Lewiston line. The more important building projects include extensive stockyards for the Great Northern; several elevators; a Methodist church, and a Catholic school, while about eighty new residences have been erected. The city also will soon have a white way ornamental lighting system.

WHEAT AVERAGES 10 BUSHELS.

Yields Around Churches Ferry Are Generally Light Especially on Sandy Soils.

Churches Ferry.—Three hundred and twenty acres of fine wheat on William Engelhorn's farm, near Churches Ferry, is threshing fifteen bushels of excellent color and testing fifty-eight and a half pounds to spite of a trace of wild oats. This, however, is an exceptional yield. A neighboring field of barley, for instance, which looked like thirty bushels, is threshing out only about fourteen. The wheat average around here will not be over ten bushels, and west from Rugby the crops are very light, especially on the sandy soils.

SHORTAGES ALL MADE UP.

Sargent County May Not Prosecute Former Register and Auditor.

Forman.—Whether the former register of deeds and the former auditor shall be prosecuted is the chief subject of interest in Sargent county. Opinion is divided. Former Register of Deeds Warriner had a shortage of nearly $1,000. The county was reimbursed and no effort so far has been made to prosecute. H. P. Irving, who was auditor, paid about $600 to the county before his departure for California.

There is absolutely nothing political in the matter. Many people feel that as long as the county lost nothing there should be no prosecutions. While register of deeds Warriner affiliated with neither faction of the republican party, but last year, when he was elected a member of the legislature, he ran as a progressive republican.

Irving has always been a democrat and was elected each time on the democratic ticket.

6 NEW NORTH DAKOTA BANKS.

Organization Makes Total Launched in Month Nearly Twenty—Minneapolitan Interested in Two.

Bismarck.—Six more new banks have been founded in North Dakota. This brings the total of new banks organized in the month to nearly twenty, the record for several years.

The new banks are:

German State Bank, Zeeland, capital, $10,000; incorporators, J. H. Wisch, K. Schubert, H. M. Gannon, Ashley, W. K. Lander, Wahpeton.

State Bank of Guelph, capital, $10,000; incorporators, L. Wagner, Theodore Wagner, E. Kiesinger, Hebron, N. D., D. Rust, F. J. Courtney, William McCoy, H. T. Newman, Guelph, N. D.

First State Bank of Belmont, capital, $10,000; incorporators, A. M. F. Hansen, Hamlet, C. A. Ilse, Wildrose, A. L. Cutshaw, Tyson, Minn., F. W. Dunnette, Surrey.

First State Bank of Hebron, capital, $10,000, incorporators, M. M. Hughes, F. J. McCullough, Hebron, William Lawlor, Dubuque, Iowa.

Farmers Bank of Atwater, capital, $15,000, incorporators, N. P. McGregor, Minneapolis, R. N. Harmson, Krem, F. L. Arno, Atwater.

Farmers Bank of Mercer County, Hazen, capital stock, $10,000, incorporators, N. P. McGregor, Minneapolis, R. L. Arno, Hazen, R. N. Harmson, Krem.

LADD IS FOR ENFORCEMENT

Commissioner Will Make Cold Storage Men Live Up to the Law.

Fargo.—The enforcement of the new cold storage law is being taken up by Pure Food Commissioner Ladd, who avers that every dealer in the state is violating the law as none of the cold storage plants have secured licenses. Among the requirements are that any meats that have been held thirty days are under the provisions of the law; no goods must be kept longer than twelve months; signs must be displayed showing cold storage products are sold and every package or container sent out must be marked. Hotels, restaurants and private storage plants do not come within the statute. Notice has been served by the commissioner that unless owners of plants conform to the law prosecutions will be instituted.

Dog Saves Life of N. D. Girl.

Arnegard.—Gored by an infuriated bull three times, the 15-year-old daughter of Alfred Hanson of Hay Butte owes her life to a dog that accompanied her to the pasture. She was walking through the herd of cattle when attacked. She was terribly gored, gashes being cut in her thigh and abdomen by the bull's horns and her body was a mass of bruises. Twice the dog attacked the animal until the girl could crawl away. She is in a serious condition, but may recover.

Says Negroes Made Him Rob.

Fargo.—Dewitt Wilcox, the young white man arrested here in a raid on an alleged negro opium joint, has been identified as one of three men who held up three white men. Wilcox says that just before this crime he had been held up by the three negroes, two of whom compelled him to rob the three men. Wilcox said he recently left the Florida penitentiary, where he was held for five years on charge of shooting two negroes.

To Take Long Trip in Launch.

White Earth, N. D., Sept. 3.—Horace Tracey of Grinnell and his nephew are building a launch on the Missouri in which they intend to make a trip this winter to New Orleans. They will start soon as they want to get well down the river before cold weather. After reaching New Orleans they intend to go to the Panama canal some and will return up the west coast as far as Seattle or Vancouver.

Woman Kills Big Snake.

Okaton, S. D.—To be thrown from a horse almost directly upon a monster rattlesnake and escape being struck by its deadly fangs was the experience of Mrs. Henry Skinrood, wife of a rancher living in this vicinity. Catching her horse, she took the bridle reins and, with them as a weapon, attacked the rattlesnake and killed it.

AN IMMENSE NEW INDUSTRIAL PLANT FOR CHICAGO

When completed, the new plant of the Calumet Baking Powder Company, now under course of construction, at South 41st avenue and Fillmore street, will prove a fitting monument to the ability, honesty and progressiveness which have rendered possible the tremendous growth of one of Chicago's most prominent industrial institutions.

This immense plant, the estimated cost of which is $250,000, is a strictly modern five-story and basement, fire proof, re-enforced concrete building. Size, 260x100 feet. One of the novel and interesting features of this, the largest and most efficiently equipped Baking Powder plant in existence, will be a cantilever shipping platform projecting over to a switch track on a level with the second floor.

Automatic machinery, modern appliances and passenger and freight elevators of the latest type will be installed and employed in manufacturing and handling the company's product.

Plans which make possible a maximum amount of glass area and the highest degree of sanitation have been carefully and scientifically prepared. Spacious and splendidly appointed rest rooms are provided for employes.

One entire floor will be devoted to laboratory and research equipment. The installation of a modern bakery for experiment purposes insures the maintenance of the high standard of excellence for which Calumet Baking Powder is famed.

The Calumet Baking Powder Company was organized a quarter of a century ago by Mr. Wm. M. Wright. The company first began the manufacture of baking powder in a comparatively small way, with limited capital. Modern methods, combined with high grade materials and an unwavering determination to produce an article of superior quality have created a demand which necessitated the erection of the new Calumet plant—have made the Calumet Company a substantial factor in the industrial life of Chicago, and won for it a patronage which is a benefit and a credit to the city.—Adv.

TIME A MATTER OF MOMENT

Something Poultry Dealer Had Forgotten to Explain to His Very Much Disappointed Patron.

Mr. Timkins of East Orange had sought six new hens from a poultry dealer in Plainfield.

"Didn't you tell me that you got as many as ten and twelve eggs a day from them?" asked Mr. Timkins a few weeks later.

"That's what I told you," said the Plainfield man.

"I've had those chickens several weeks now and I never got more than four eggs on any one day. How do you account for that?"

"Well, I don't know," said the guileful dealer, "unless it's because you look too often. If you would look only once every three days, you would probably get as many as ten or twelve eggs in a single day, just as I did."—New York Evening Post.

Who Does the Washing?

Precocious Child (to Friend)—I notice a clothes basket going back and forth between your house and Scrubbins' every day.

"What of it?"

"Do you wash for them or do they wash for you?"

Her Experience.

"Some claim there are germs in kisses" said the elderly summer girl. "Ever catch anything that way?"

"Not even a beau."

LIGHT BREAKS IN

Thoughtful Farmer Learns About Coffee.

Many people exist in a more or less hazy condition and it often takes years before they realize that tea and coffee are often the cause of the cloudiness, and that there is a simple way to let the light break in.

A worthy farmer had such an experience and tells about it, in a letter. He says:

"For about forty years, I have had indigestion and stomach trouble in various forms. During the last 25 years I would not more than get over one spell of bilious colic until another would be upon me.

"The best doctors I could get and all the medicines I could buy, only gave me temporary relief.

"Change of climate was tried without results. I could not sleep nights, had rheumatism and my heart would palpitate at times so that it seemed it would jump out of my body.

"It came to the conclusion that there was no relief for me and that I was about wound up, when I saw a Postum advertisement. I had always been a coffee drinker, and got an idea from the ad. that maybe coffee was the cause of my trouble.

"I began to use Postum instead of coffee and in less than three weeks I felt like a new man. The rheumatism left me, and I have never had a spell of bilious colic since.

"My appetite is good, my digestion never was better and I can do more work than before for 40 years.

"I haven't tasted coffee since I began with Postum. My wife makes it according to directions and I relish it as well as I ever did coffee, and I was certainly a slave to coffee."

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Be Kind to the Animals.

This is the time of the year when domestic animals need most considerate treatment from human beings. The hot weather takes the life out of many a horse that could go on working comfortably for years in a moderate temperature. To the dogs extreme heat is as exhausting as it is to their masters. The cats are not so much affected by the heat, but this is the time of year when the majority of cat owners seem to feel free to go out of town and leave their household pets to the tender mercies of their neighbors. So every city church yard and school yard and every spot which can occur coolness and safety in the heart of a city has its population of neglected cats to whom it is a mercy to minister in July and August.—Hartford Times.

Summer Annoyances

such as prickly heat, ivy poisoning, insect bites and offensive perspiration are quickly relieved by applying Tyree's Antiseptic Powder. 25c. at druggists or write J. S. Tyree, Washington, D. C., for free sample.—Adv.

Among Other Things.

"I suppose you saw many ancient things in Egypt."

"Yes, sir. They had a trolley line there that must have been a thousand years old."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
(Publisher.)
Department of Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Bismarck, N. D.
August 9, 1913.
Notice is hereby given that
Adolf F. Schwartz,
of Almont, N. D., who, on July 24th, 1908, made homestead entry Serial No. 0567, for Northwest Quarter Section 24, township 137 N. range 85, West of the 5th principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before G. H. Anderson, U. S. Commissioner, at Almont, North Dakota, on Sept. 21, 1913.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Charles Witt, of Almont, N. D.
George Held, " " "
John Burechert, of " "
George Klein, " " "
R. N. Stevens, Register.
(Legal Advertising.)

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
(Publisher.)
Department of Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Bismarck, N. D.
August 12, 1913
Notice is hereby given that
Sossy Budwitzsky
of St. Joseph, N. D., who, on July 8th, 1910, made homestead entry, No. 016724, for E½ NE¼, NE¼SE¼, section 14, township 151 N. range 88, W. 5th Principal meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Register and Receiver, United States Land Office, at Bismarck, N. D., on Sept. 20, 1913.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Hyman Mikzman,
Max Sertzin,
Peter Hesser,
George Hesser, all of St. Joseph, N. D.
R. N. Stevens, Register.
(Legal Advertising.)

Home Locals

The first of the coming month a change will be made in the management of the Merchants Hotel. Fred Vollrath who formerly was in charge has purchased the building and furniture and will take charge October first. O. Pippen who is leasing the building has not fully decided what business he will enter dhen he leaves the hotel, but a report is current that a new cafe is to be opened here and his name has been mentioned in connection with it.

Sunday, Sept. 7, is the day when every man plans on bringing home a full bag of prairie chickens—and as many tales of wonderful shots will be told as the number of the birds brought home.

John Knutson was a Mandan visitor this week.

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" " " 1-2 Gal "	$1.37
Jelly Glasses with covers "	35 to 40 c.
Water " "	28 c.
Sugar 100 lb. Sacks	$5.50

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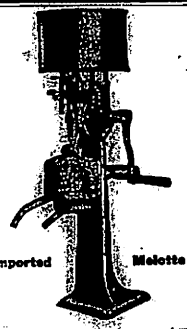

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TEXT OF PRESIDENT WILSON'S MESSAGE

OUTLINES DETAILS OF NATION'S EFFORT TO RESTORE PEACE IN MEXICO.

WHOLE WORLD INTERESTED

Executive Asserts Proposals For Friendly Mediation of U. S. Government Are Open to Resumption Any Time.

Washington, Aug. 28.—Before a joint session of the house and senate President Wilson read the following message in regards to the Mexican situation:

"It is clearly my duty to lay before you very fully and without reservation the facts concerning our present relations with the republic of Mexico. The deplorable posture of affairs in Mexico I need not describe, but I deem it my duty to speak very frankly of what this government has done and should seek to do in fulfillment of its obligation to Mexico herself as a friend and neighbor and to American citizens whose lives and vital interests are daily affected by the distressing conditions which now obtain beyond our Southern border.

"Those conditions touch us very nearly. Not merely because they lie at our very doors. That, of course, makes us more vividly and more constantly conscious of them, and every instinct of neighborly interest and sympathy is aroused and quickened by them; but that is only one element in the determination of our duty. We are glad to call ourselves the friends of Mexico and we shall, I hope, have many an occasion in happier times as well as in these days of trouble and confusion to show that our friendship is genuine and disinterested, capable of sacrifice and every generous manifestation.

Sympathize With Mexico.

"The peace, prosperity and contentment of Mexico mean more, much more, to us than merely an enlarged field for our commerce and enterprise. They mean an enlargement of the field of self-government and the realization of the hopes and rights of a nation with whose best aspirations so long supressed and disappointed we deeply sympathize. We shall yet prove to the Mexican people that we know how to serve them without first thinking how we shall serve ourselves.

"But we are not the only friends of Mexico. The whole world desires her peace and progress; and the whole world is interested as never before. Mexico lies at last where all the world looks on. Central America is about to be touched by the great routes of the world's trade and intercourse running free from ocean to ocean at the isthmus. The future has much in store for Mexico, as for all the states of Central America, but the best gifts can come to her only if she be ready and free to receive them and to enjoy them honorably. America in particular—American north and south and upon both continents—waits upon the development of Mexico; and that development can be sound and lasting only if it be the product of a genuine freedom, a just and ordered government, founded upon law. Only so can it be peaceful or fruitful of the benefits of peace. Mexico has a great and enviable future before her if only she choose and attain the paths of honest constitutional government.

Regrets Present Conditions.

"The present circumstances of the republic, I deeply regret to say, do not seem to promise even the foundations of such a peace. We have waited many months, months full of peril and anxiety, for the conditions there to improve and they have not improved. They have grown worse rather. The territory, in some sort controlled by the provisional authorities at Mexico City has grown smaller, not larger. The prospect of the pacification of the country even by arms has seemed to grow more and more remote and its pacification by the authorities at the capital is evidently impossible by any other means than force. Difficulties more and more entangle those who claim to constitute the legitimate government of the republican. They have not made good their claim in fact. Their successes in the field have proved only temporary. War and disorder, devastation and confusion seem to threaten to become the settled fortune of the distracted country. As friends we could wait no longer for a solution which every week seemed further away. It was our duty at least to volunteer our good offices, to assist if we might in effecting some arrangement which would bring relief and peace and set up a universally acknowledged political authority there.

"Accordingly, I took the liberty of sending the Hon. John Lind, formerly governor of Minnesota, as my personal spokesman and representative to the City of Mexico with the following instructions:

"'Press very earnestly upon the attention of those who are now exercising authority or wielding influence in Mexico, following consideration and advice:

Lind's Mission to Mexico.

"'The government of the United States does not feel at liberty any longer to stand inactively by while it becomes daily more and more evident that no real progress is being made toward the establishment of a government at the City of Mexico which the country will obey and respect.

"'The government of the United States does not stand in the same case with the other great governments of the world in respect of what is happening or what is likely to happen in Mexico. We offer our good offices, not only because of our genuine desire to play the part of a friend, but also because we are expected by the powers of the world to act as Mexico's nearest friend.

Friendship Prompts U. S. Policy.

"'We wish to act in these circumstances in the spirit of most earnest and disinterested friendship. It is our purpose in whatever we do or propose in this perplexing and distressing situation not only to pay the most scrupulous regard to the sovereignty and independence of Mexico—that we take as a matter of course to which we are bound by every obligation of right and honor—but also to give every possible evidence that we act in the interest of Mexico alone and not in the interest of any person or body of persons who may have personal property claims in Mexico which they may feel that they have the right to press. We are seeking to counsel Mexico for her own good and in the interest of her own peace, and not for any other purpose whatever. The government of the United States would deem itself discredited if it had any selfish or ulterior purpose in transactions where the peace, happiness and prosperity of a whole people are involved. It is acting as its friendship for Mexico, not as any selfish interest dictates.

Cry Out for Settlement.

"'The present situation in Mexico is incompatible with the fulfillment of international obligations on the part of Mexico with the civilized development of Mexico herself and with the maintenance of tolerable political and economic conditions in Central America. It is upon no common occasion, therefore, that the United States offers her counsel and assistance. All America cries out for a settlement.

"'A satisfactory settlement seems to us to become conditioned on:

"'(A)—An immediate cessation of fighting throughout Mexico, a definite armistice solemnly entered into and scrupulously observed;

"'(B)—Security given for an early and free election in which all will agree to take part;

"'(C)—The consent of General Huerta to bind himself not to be a candidate for election as president of the republic at this election; and

"'(D)—The agreement of all parties to abide by the results of the election and co-operate in the most loyal way in organizing and supporting the new administration.

"'The government of the United States will be glad to play any part in this settlement or in its carrying out which it can play honorably and consistently with international right. It pledges itself to recognize and in every way possible and proper to assist the administration chosen and set up in Mexico in the way and on the conditions suggested.

Still Open to Suggestions.

"'Taking all the existing conditions into consideration, the government of the United States can conceive of no reasons sufficient to justify those who are now attempting to shape the policy or exercise the authority of Mexico in declining the offices of friendship thus offered. Can Mexico give the civilized world a satisfactory reason for rejecting our good offices?' If Mexico can suggest any better way in which to show our friendship, serve the people of Mexico and meet our international obligations, we are more than willing to consider the suggestion.'

"Mr. Lind executed his delicate and difficult mission with singular tact, firmness and good judgment and made clear to the authorities at the city of Mexico not only the purpose of his visit, but the spirit in which it had been undertaken. But the proposals he submitted were rejected in a note, the full text of which I take the liberty of laying before you:

Thinks Mexico Misinformed.

"I am led to believe that they were rejected partly because the authorities at Mexico City had been grossly misinformed and misled upon two points. They did not realize the spirit of the American people in this matter, the sincerity, friendliness and yet sober determination that some just solution for the Mexican difficulties should be reached, and they did not believe that the present administration spoke through Mr. Lind for the people of the United States.

"The effect of this unfortunate misunderstanding on their part is to leave the situation singularly isolated and without friends who can effectually aid them. Perhaps the misunderstanding cannot be cleared up; we can only await the time of their awakening to the realization of the actual facts. We cannot thrust our good offices upon them; the situation must be given a little more time to work itself out in the new circumstances and, I believe that only a little while will be necessary. For the circumstances are new. The rejection of our friendship makes them new and will inevitably bring its own alterations in the whole aspect of affairs. The actual situation of the authorities at Mexico City will presently be revealed.

Counsels Patience.

"Meanwhile, what is it our duty to do? Clearly, everything that we do must be rooted in patience and done with calm and disinterested deliberation. Impatience on our part would be childish and would be fraught with every risk of wrong and folly. We can afford to exercise the self-restraint of a really great nation which realizes its own strength and scorns to misuse it.

"It was our duty to offer our active assistance. It is now our duty to show what true neutrality will do to enable the people of Mexico to set their affairs in order again and wait for a further opportunity to offer our friendly counsels. The door is not closed against the resumption, either upon the initiative of Mexico or upon our own, of the effort to bring order out of the confusion by friendly co-operative action, should fortunate occasion offer.

Renewed Conflicts Expected.

"While we wait the contest of the rival forces will undoubtedly for a little while be sharper than ever, just because it will be plain that an end must be made of the existing situation and that very promptly, and with the increased activity of the contending factions will come, it is to be feared, increased danger to the non-combatants in Mexico as well as to those actually in the field of battle.

"The position of outsiders is always particularly trying and full of hazard where there is civil strife and a whole country is upset. We should earnestly urge all Americans to leave Mexico at once and should assist them to get away in every way possible, not because we would mean to slacken in the least our efforts to safeguard their lives and their interests, but because it is imperative that they should take no unnecessary risks when it is physically possible for them to leave the country.

"We should let everyone who seems to exercise authority in any part of Mexico know in the most unequivocal way that we shall vigilantly watch the fortunes of those Americans who cannot get away, and shall hold those responsible for their sufferings and losses to a definite reckoning.

"That losses to a definite reckoning than can and will be made plain beyond the possibility of a misunderstanding.

"For the rest I deem it my duty to exercise the authority conferred upon me by the law of March 15, 1912, to see to it that neither side to the struggle now going on in Mexico receive any assistance from this side of the border. I shall follow the best practice of nations in the matter of neutrality by forbidding the exportation of arms or munitions of war of any kind from the United States to any part of the republic of Mexico—a policy suggested by several interesting precedents and certainly dictated by many manifest considerations of practical expediency. We cannot in the circumstances be the partisans of either party to the contest that now distracts Mexico or constitute ourselves the virtual umpire between them.

"I am happy to say that several of the great governments of the world have given this government their generous moral support in urging upon the provisional authorities at the City of Mexico the acceptance of our proffered good offices in the spirit in which they were made. We have not acted in this matter under the ordinary principles of international obligation. All the world expects us in such circumstances to act as Mexico's nearest friend and intimate adviser. This is our immemorial relation towards her.

"There is nowhere any serious question that we have the moral right in the case or that we are acting in the interest of a fair settlement and of good government, nor for the promotion of some selfish interest of our own. If further motive were necessary than our own good will towards a sister republic and our deep concern to see peace and order prevail in Central America, this consent of mankind to what we are attempting, this attitude of the great nations of the world towards what we may attempt in dealing with this distressed people at our doors, should make us feel the more solemnly bound to go to the utmost length of patience and forbearance in this painful and difficult business. The steady pressure of moral force will, before many days, break the barriers of pride and prejudice down and we shall triumph as Mexico's friends, sooner than we could triumph as her enemies, and how much more handsomely, with how much higher and finer satisfaction of conscience and of honor.

MEXICAN SITUATION IN BRIEF.

President Wilson warned all Americans to leave Mexico at once and notice was issued to Mexicans officials that any loss of life among Americans or damage to their property will bring speedy action on the part of this government.

It is considered probable that several thousand more American troops will be sent to the border to insure neutrality.

Receipt of president's message causes no excitement in Mexico.

Huerta determined not to give up office and still believes he can conquer rebels. Latest notes from John Lind will be published by federal authorities.

Sixteen governors in conference at Colorado Springs indorse Wilson's Mexican policy.

Speaker Clarke and congress in general say president's Mexican program is proper one.

Northwest congressmen laud President Wilson's efforts to restore peace in Mexico, but criticise his confidential message to Provincial President Huerta, sent through John Lind of Minnesota, asking that he (Huerta) agree not to enter the special election as a candidate for president.

RICE W. MEANS

At the national reunion of the Army of the Philippines and the American Veterans of Foreign Service, held in Denver these societies were consolidated as the Army of the Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico. Judge Rice W. Means of Denver was elected commander-in-chief of the consolidated society.

LAWYERS ENTERTAIN HULDANE

LORD HIGH CHANCELLOR TO ADDRESS CONVENTION.

Frank B. Kellogg Escorts Visitor on Sightseeing Tour of Montreal.

Montreal, Sept. 2.—Jurists of Canada and the United States joined in extending a warm greeting to Viscount Haldane, lord high chancellor of Great Britain, who reached here Sunday morning to address the American Bar association convention.

Lord Haldane's address will be delivered in the afternoon. His journey of 6,000 miles from England and return was undertaken for this purpose.

The program for the lord high chancellor's entertainment calls for almost continued activity until he leaves for New York, whence he will embark on his return voyage. One of the first to greet the distinguished British jurist yesterday was Chief Justice White of the United States supreme court.

Accompanied by Frank B. Kellogg, president of the American Bar association, the lord high chancellor of England and the chief justice, each the head of the judicial system of his nation, shortly afterward set out for an automobile tour of the city.

During the day Lord Haldane received many callers and talked with newspaper men.

"Yours is a wonderful country," he said, "and I look for you to keep up the greatness of the Anglo-Saxon traditions in the days to come. I am not unfamiliar with the Dominion, but I may say that I have gathered a 'first impression' and that is the wonderful strides of education both in Canada and the United States.

FIRE CHIEFS IN CONVENTION

Great Cities of the World and Small Towns Alike Represented in the Gathering.

New York, Sept. 2.—Fire chiefs of small volunteer forces of country towns as well as the commissioners and chiefs of the departments of great cities the world over were present in the Grand Central palace when the 47th annual convention of the International Association of Fire Chiefs opened today.

There will be many interesting papers read before the convention. Motor apparatus, its durability, efficiency and economy of operation, will be the subject of Chief A. V. Bennett of Birmingham, Ala., chief John Kenton of New York will discuss the subject of fire insurance and its real relation to incendiarism. Commissioner Joseph Johnson of New York and Frank Look will speak upon the same subject. Thomas J. Ahern, state fire marshal of New York will talk upon fire prevention and the question of uniform state fire marshal laws. Other speakers and their subjects are: Chief H. C. Bunkel and Commissioner W. N. Cash of Cincinnati on "Inspection of Buildings and Contents by Uniform Members of Fire Departments;" Chief F. L. Stetson, Seattle, Wash., Chief John C. Egger, Kansas, Chief Charles W. Seiger, Omaha, on "The Fire Patrol."

Among the chiefs present are Chiefs Dwyer of London, Wilhelm Cordier of Paris, Alier of Amsterdam, Alford of Liverpool, Hjalmere of Copenhagen, Partridge of Edinburgh, and Waller of Alexandria, Egypt.

WOMAN IN TERRIBLE STATE

Finds Help in Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Bellevue, Ohio.—"I was in a terrible state before I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. My back ached until I thought it would break, I had pains all over me, nervous feelings and periodic troubles. I was very weak and run down and was losing hope of ever being well and strong. After taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I improved rapidly and today am a well woman. I cannot tell you how happy I feel and I cannot say too much for your Compound. Would not be without it in the house if it cost three times the amount."—Mrs. Chas. Chapman, R. F. D. No. 7, Bellevue, Ohio.

Because your case is a difficult one, doctors having done you no good, do not continue to suffer without giving Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial. It surely has remedied many cases of female ills, such as inflammation, ulceration, displacements, tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, and it may be exactly what you need.

The Pinkham record is a proud and peerless one. It is a record of constant victory over the obstinate ills of women—ills that deal out despair. It is an established fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored health to thousands of such suffering women. Why don't you try it if you need such a medicine?

The native of India has an average life of twenty-four years, as against forty-four in England.

ERUPTION ON ANKLE BURNED

Kingsville, Mo.—"My trouble began eighteen years ago. Nearly half of the time there were running sores around my ankle; sometimes it would be two years at a time before they were healed. There were many nights I did not sleep because of the great suffering. The sores were deep running ones and so sore that I could not bear for anything to touch them. They would burn all the time and sting like a lot of bees were confined around my ankle. I could not bear to scratch it, it was always so sensitive to the touch. I could not let my clothes touch it. The skin was very red. I made what I called a cap out of white felt, blotting paper and soft white cloth to hold it in shape. This I wore night and day.

"I tried many remedies for most of the eighteen years with no effect. Last summer I sent for some Cuticura Soap and Ointment. The very first time I used Cuticura Soap and Ointment I gained relief; they relieved the pain right then. It was three months from the time I commenced using Cuticura Soap and Ointment until the sores were entirely healed. I have not been troubled since and my ankle seems perfectly well." (Signed) Mrs. Charles E. Brooke, Oct. 22, 1912.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

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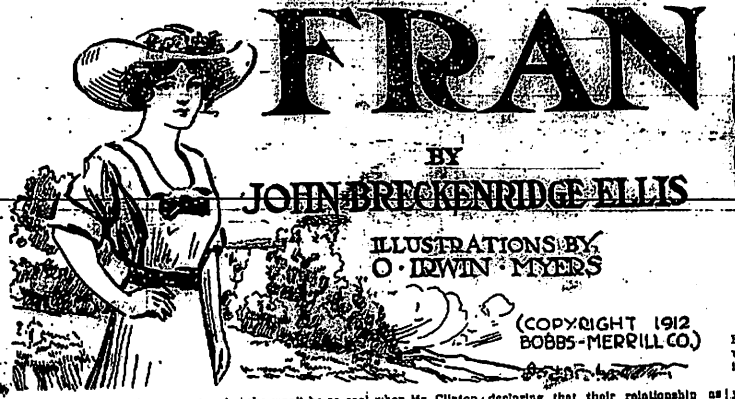

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SYNOPSIS.

Fran arrives at Hamilton Gregory's home in Littleburg, but finds him absent—conducting the choir at a camp meeting. She repairs thither in search of him. Laughs during the service and is asked to leave. Abbott Ashton, superintendent of schools, escorts Fran from the tent. He tells her Gregory is a wealthy man, deeply interested in charity work, and a pillar of the church. Ashton becomes greatly interested in Fran and while taking leave of her, holds her hand and is seen by Sapphira Clinton, sister of Robert Clinton, chairman of the school board. Fran tells Gregory she wants a home with him. Grace Noir, Gregory's private secretary, takes a violent dislike to Fran and advises her to go away at once. Fran hints at a twenty-year-old secret, and Gregory in agitation asks Grace to leave the room. Fran relates the story of her. Gregory married a young girl at Springfield while attending college and then deserted her. Fran is the child of that marriage. Gregory had married his present wife three years before the death of Fran's mother. Fran takes a liking to Mrs. Gregory. Gregory explains that Fran is the daughter of a very dear friend who is dead. Fran agrees to the story. Mrs. Gregory insists on her making her home with them and takes her to her arms. Fran declares the secretary must go. Grace begins nagging turtles in an effort to drive Fran from the Gregory home. Abbott, while taking a walk alone at midnight, finds Fran on a bridge telling her fortune by cards. She tells Abbott that she is the famous lion tamer, Fran Nonpareil. She tired of circus life and sought a home. Grace tells of seeing Fran come home after midnight with a man. She guesses part of the story and surprises the rest from Abbott. She decides to ask Bob Clinton to go to Springfield to investigate Fran's story. Fran enlists Abbott in her battle against Grace. Fran offers her services to Gregory as secretary during the temporary absence of Grace. The latter, hearing of Fran's purpose, returns and interrupts a touching scene between father and daughter. Fran goes fishing with Mrs. Gregory's brother, Abbott, whose intention as superintendent, is to be decided that day. Finds her sitting alone in a buggy. He joins her and is discovered by Clinton and his sister. Grace tells Gregory she intends to marry Clinton and quit his service. He declares that he cannot continue his work without her. Carried away by passion, he takes her in his arms. Fran walks in on them, and declares that Grace must leave the house at once.

CHAPTER XVI.—Continued.

Gregory beheld the awful secret quivering upon her lips. The danger drove him mad. "You devil!" he shouted, rushing upon her.

Fran stood immovable, her eyes fastened on his. "Don't strike me," she said tensely, "don't strike me. I warn you, unless you kill at the first blow."

He staggered back as if her words possessed physical impact. He shrunk in a heap in the library chair and dropped his head upon his arms. To prevent Grace from learning the truth, he could have done almost anything in that first moment of insane terror; but he could not strike Fran.

In the meantime, Mrs. Gregory had been ascending the stairs. They could hear her now, as she softly moved along the hall. No one in the library wished, at that moment, to confront the wife, and absolute silence reigned in the apartment. They heard her pause, when opposite the door, doubtless to assure herself that the typewriter was at work. If she did not hear the clicking of the keys, she might conclude Grace was absent, and enter.

Gregory raised his haggard head with an air suggesting meditated flight. Even Grace cowered back instinctively.

Swift as a shadow, Fran darted on tiptoe to the typewriter, and began pounding upon it vigorously.

Mrs. Gregory passed on her way, and when she reached the farther end of the hall, an old hymn which she had been humming, broke into audible words. Fran snatched the sheet from the typewriter, and bent her head to listen. The words were soft, full of a thrilling faith, a dauntless courage—

"Still all my song shall be
Nearer my God to Thee,
Nearer—"

A door closed. She was gone. Gregory dropped his head with a groan.

It seemed to Fran that the voice of his wife who was not a wife, lingered in the room. The hymn, no longer audible, had left behind it a fragrance, as sometimes lingers the sweet savor of a prayer, after its "amen" has, as it were, dropped back into the heart whence it issued. Fran instinctively held out both arms toward the direction of the door just closed, as if she could see Mrs. Gregory kneeling behind it.

"Almost," she said, in a solemn undertone, "you persuadest me to be a Christian."

Had anyone but Mrs. Gregory been singing that hymn, had anyone but Fran been the one to intrude upon the library scene, Grace must have been overwhelmed. As it was, she stood quite untouched, resolving to stay in order to prove herself, and to show Gregory that they must sacrifice their love for conscience sake.

Gregory, however, was deeply touched by Fran's yearning arms. He rose and stood before her. "Fran, child, we promise that what you saw shall never happen again. But you mustn't tell about it. I know you won't tell. I can't send Grace away, because I need her. She will not go because she knows herself to be strong. We are going to hide our souls. And you can't tell what you've seen, on account of her—" He pointed in the direction of his wife.

Fran knew very well what he meant. If she told the secret, it would disgrace Mrs. Gregory. The revelation might drive Grace away, though Fran did not think so, but certainly whether Grace went, or stayed, it would break the heart of the one she loved best in that home. Gregory was right; Fran could never betray him.

She turned blindly upon Grace: "Then have you no conscience?—you are always talking about one. Does no sense of danger warn you away? Can't you feel any shame?"

Grace did not smile contemptuously. She weighed these words at their real value, and soberly interrogated herself. "No," she declared with deliberation, "I feel no sense of danger because I mean to guard myself after this. And my conscience bids me stay, to show that I have not really done anything—" But she could not deny the feeling of shame, for the burning of her cheeks proven the recollection of hot kisses.

"But suppose I tell what I have seen."

"Well," said Grace, flashing out defiantly, "and suppose you do!"

Gregory muttered: "Who would believe you?"

Fran looked at him. "Then," she said, "the coward spoke." She added: "I guess the only way is for you to make her leave. There's nothing in her for me to appeal to."

"I will never tell her to go," he assured her defiantly.

"While, on the contrary," said Grace, "I fancy you will be put to flight in three or four days."

Fran threw back her head and laughed silently while they stared at her in blank perplexity.

Fran regained composure to say coolly, "I was just laughing." Then she stepped to her father's chair and handed him the sheet she had drawn from the typewriter. The upper part was an unfinished letter to the Chicago mission, just as Grace had left it in her haste to get rid of Fran. At odd variance with its philanthropic message were the words Fran had pounded out for the deception of Mrs. Gregory.

"You Devil!"

Hamilton Gregory glared at them at first uncomprehendingly, then in growing amazement. They read—

"Ask her why she sent Bob Clinton to Springfield."

He started up. "What is this?" he exclaimed wildly, extending the paper toward Grace.

She read it and smiled coldly. "Yes," she said, "the little spy has even ferreted that out, has she! Very well, she won't be so cool when Mr. Clinton returns from Springfield."

"From Springfield!" echoed Gregory aghast.

"From Springfield! Mr. Gregory, I have made the discovery that this Fran, whom you imagined only about sixteen years old, and the daughter of an old friend, is really of age. She's nothing but a circus-girl. You thought her joking when she called herself a lion-tamer; that's the way she meant for us to take it—but she can't deceive me. She's nothing but a show-girl pretending to come from Springfield. But I know better. So I've sent Mr. Clinton there to find out all about the family of your friend, and in particular about the girl that this Fran is impersonating."

"You sent Bob Clinton to Springfield!" gasped Gregory, as if his mind could get no further than that. Then he turned savagely upon Fran—"And did you tell her about Springfield?"

Fran smiled her crooked smile.

Grace interposed: "You may be sure she didn't! Do you think she wanted her history cleared up? Mr. Gregory, you are so blinded by what she says that you won't investigate her claims. I decided to do this for your sake. When Mr. Clinton comes back, it's goodby to this circus-girl!"

Fran looked at her father incredulously. "I believe, after this," she said, "it will be safe to leave you two together."

CHAPTER XVII.

Shall the Secret Be Told?

Fran had expected Robert Clinton's return in four or five days, as had Grace Noir, but secrets that have been buried for many years are not picked up in a day. However, had the chairman of the school-board returned the day after his departure, Abbott Ashton would have met him at the station. Twice, in the opinion of Fran, the young man had failed her by allowing Grace's mind to dwell to important discoveries along the path of his insulated remarks about the weather. This third test was more equal, since he was to deal with no Grace Noir—merely with a man.

As Littleburg had only one railroad, and it a "branch," it was not difficult to meet every train; moreover, Miss Sapphira's hasty notes from her brother kept Abbott advised. At first, Miss Sapphira said, "It will be a week;" later—"Then days more—and the business left like this!" Then came the final bulletin: "I may come tomorrow. Look for me when you see me."

What the secret was that Abbott must prevent Clinton from divulging, he did not dare to guess; doubtless the picture of Gregory's past, with its face to the wall, might be inscribed, "Some other woman." For surely Grace Noir was some other woman.

With these thoughts, Abbott met the evening train, to see Robert Clinton hastily emerge from the solitude he had endured in the midst of many.

Robert was in no pacific mood, and when he found himself almost in the arms of Abbott, his greeting was boisterous because impatient at being stopped. Abbott, knowing that Robert was not ordinarily effusive, thought, "He has the secret!"

Robert shook hands without delaying progress toward the waiting hack, bearing Abbott along on waves of greeting.

"But, surely you are not going to ride!" Abbott expostulated.

"Business—very pressing—see you later."

"But I have business with you, Mr. Clinton, that can't wait. Come, walk with me to town and I'll explain; it'll delay you only a few minutes."

Like a restive horse on finding himself restrained, Robert Clinton lifted a leg without advancing. "Oh, very well," he agreed. "In fact, I've something important for you, old fellow, and I'll explain before I—before the—yes, before," he ended, turning his back with a smothered groan.

"Lucky I was at the station," Abbott exclaimed, "since you've things to tell me, Bob. What is it?" In thus addressing his old friend as "Bob" the young man was officially declaring that their relationship as teacher and school-director was forever at an end, and they stood as man to man.

Clinton spoke rapidly, with his wonted brusqueness: "Guess you know I've been knocking about the country for the last three or four weeks—saw a good many old friends—a fellow can't go anywhere without meeting somebody he knows—curious, isn't it? Well, I've just got an opening for you. You know how sorry I am because we had to plump another teacher on to your job, but don't you worry if Fran did hold your hand—just you keep your hands in your pockets after this, when there's danger—Say! I've got something lots better for you than Littleburg. School out in Oklahoma—rich—private man behind it—he owns the whole plant, and he's determined to run it to suit the new ideas. This rich man—chum of mine—went West, bought land, sat on it, got up with his jeans full of money. Wants you to come at once."

Abbott was elated. "What kind of new ideas, Bob?" he asked joyously.

"Of that impractical nonsense of teaching life instead of books. You know what I mean, but I don't think I do. Don't worry about it now—something terrible's on my mind—just awful! I can't think of anything else. What you want to do is to scoot out to Tahlelah, Oklahoma, to this address—here's his card—tell 'em Bob sent you—" He looked at Abbott feverishly, as if almost hoping Abbott would bolt for Tahlelah then and there. His broad red face was set determinedly.

"This news is splendid!" Abbott declared enthusiastically. "I had already applied for a country school; I was afraid I had lost out a whole year, on account of—everything. I must thank—"

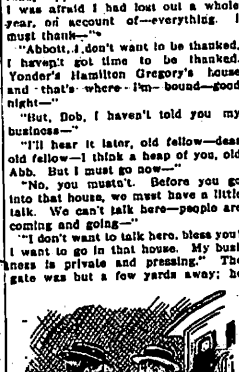
"Abbott, I don't want to be thanked. I haven't got time to be thanked. Yonder's Hamilton Gregory's house and that's where I'm bound—good night—"

"But, Bob, I haven't told you my business—"

"I'll hear it later, old fellow—dear old fellow—I think a heap of you, old Abb. But I must go now—"

"No, you mustn't. Before you go into that house, we must have a little talk. We can't talk here—people are coming and going—"

"I don't want to talk here, bless you! I want to go in that house. My business is private and pressing." The gate was but a few yards away; he looked at it fixedly, but Abbott held his hand upon the agitated arm.



"Business—Very Pressing—See You Later."

"Blab what I have to tell you can't wait, and that's all about it. I won't keep you long, just turn down this alley with me, for it's a matter of life and death."

"Confound your life and death! My business is life and death, too."

At that moment the light was turned on in Gregory's library, and Grace Noir was seen to pass the window. Abbott's hand tightened on the man's arm, as he urged: "Bring that, if need be, for making it necessary for me to speak my mind!"

"Nice dark place for talking—by a nice dark place for talking—" he hazed; growled Robert. "What business can you have with me that wouldn't wait till morning? Look here, I'm desperate!"

"So am I," retorted Abbott. "Bob, you've been to Springfield."

Robert Clinton snatched open the yard-gate, muttering, "That's my business."

"Miss Noir sent you to unearth a secret."

"Oh!" exclaimed Robert, in an altered tone, stopping in the gateway, "did she tell you about it?"

"No—but you've brought back that secret, and you must not tell it to Miss Noir."

"Not tell her? That's funny!" Robert produced a sound which he expected to pass as laughter. "So that's what you wanted to tell me, is it? Do you know what the secret is?"

"I do not. But you mustn't tell it."

"However, that's what I'm going to do, as soon as I reach that door—take your hand off, man, my blood's up, by George! Can't you see my blood's up? It's a-boiling, that's what it's doing! So all you want is to ask me not to tell that secret?"

"Not exactly all."

"Well, well—quick! What else?"

"To see that you don't tell it."

"How do you mean to 'see' that I don't tell it?"

"You will listen to reason, Bob," said Abbott persuasively.

"No, I won't!" cried Robert. "Not me! No, sir! I'm going to tell this minute."

"You shall not!" said Abbott, in a lower and more compelling tone. His manner was so absolute, that Robert Clinton, who had forced his way almost to the porch-steps, was slightly moved.

"See here, Abbott—say! Fran knows all about it, and you pretend to think a good deal of her. Well, it's to her interests for the whole affair to be laid open to the world."

"I think so much of Fran," was the low and earnest rejoinder, "that if I were better fixed, I'd ask her to marry me without a moment's delay. And I think enough of her, not to ask her to marry me, until I have a good position. Now it was Fran who asked me to see that you didn't betray the secret. And I think so much of her, that I'm going to see that you don't!"

For a moment Clinton was silent; then he said in desperation: "Where is your nice dark alley? Come on, then, let's get in it!"

When they were safe from interruption, Clinton resumed: "You tell me that Fran wants that secret kept? I'd think she'd want it told everywhere. This secret is nothing at all but the wrong that was done Fran and her mother. And since you are so frank about how you like Fran, I'll follow suit and say that I have asked Grace Noir to marry me, and I know I'll stand a better show by getting her out of the hypnotic spell of that miserable scoundrel who poses as a bleating sheep—"

Abbott interrupted: "The wrong done Fran? How do you mean?"

"Why, man, that—that hypocrite in wool, that weed that infests this ground, that—"

"In short, Mr. Gregory? But what about the wrong done Fran?"

"Ain't I telling you? That worm-eaten pillar of the church that's made me lose so much faith in religion that I ain't got enough left worth the postage stamp to mail it back to the revival meeting where it came from—"

"For heaven's sake, Bob, tell me what wrong Mr. Gregory did Fran!"

"Didn't he marry Fran's mother when he was a college chap in Springfield, and then desert her? Didn't he marry again, although his first wife—Fran's mother—was living, and hadn't been divorced? Don't he refuse to acknowledge Fran as his daughter, making her pass herself off as the daughter of some old college chum? That's what he did, your choir-leader! I'd like to see that batch of his laid over his back! I'd like to lay it, myself."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Her Help.

"The fact of the matter is, I never amounted to anything before I was married."

"Then you give your wife credit for awakening your ambition?"

"No, for making it necessary for me to earn my bread and butter."—Chicago Record-Herald.

SUMMONS.

State of North Dakota | In District Court
County of Morton | Twelfth Judicial District.

Ida A. Cyr, Plaintiff.
Vs
Jerome E. Cyr, Defendant.

The State of North Dakota to the above named defendant: You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, which is filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the Twelfth Judicial District, in and for the County of Morton and State of North Dakota, and to serve a copy of your answer upon the subscriber within thirty days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

J. V. McCormick,
Attorney for Plaintiff.
Post Office and residence, New Salem, North Dakota.
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Miss Ella Richelien of Carl, visited over Saturday with her sister, Beulah, at Rose [illegible].

Ida Johnson returned home from Carson, last Wednesday.

Mrs. John Selvig of Carl, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. J. De Lange, of the Ripples country this week.

Mrs. P. Jacobson and Mrs. John Selvig were guests at A. M. Johnson's home Friday.

Edna Larson visited Anna Johnson Tuesday afternoon,

Melvin Larson passed thru the Ripples country, Saturday.

A number of young people of Kenyon, attended the dance at G. A. Johnson's home, Saturday. All reported a pleasant time.

Mrs. H. Rolph was an Almont shopper, Tuesday.

Charles E. Johnson was in Almont, Friday, looking after some important business matters.

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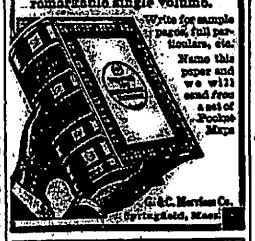

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Fred and Andrew Holritz were Almont business visitors Monday of this week. They made the trip in the latter's motor.

John Jacobson transacted business at Almont, Friday.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Sims church held a pleasant meeting, the latter part of last week.

Sunday, September 14, Rev. A. F. Breen will conduct services in Norwegian, in the Axel Hansen school house near Almont. After the preaching refreshments will be sold for the benefit of the Lutheran church of this place.

Lauritz Ims was an Almont visitor Friday.

Returns Home Friday

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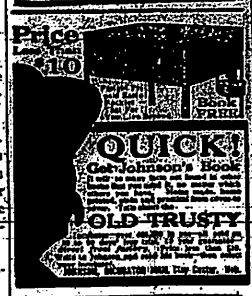

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