

Good One Necessary. One of the English weekly papers tells a good "caddie" story. A distinguished amateur came to the links with the air of one who has only to come and see in order to conquer.

How to Keep House. With all the luxuries and pleasures of this life, its big enjoyments and its smaller comforts, there is an offset or antithesis which we have to contend with in the form of aches and pains.

Knocked Out by Time. A Cleveland woman threw an alarm clock at a burglar and knocked him out of the window. That burglar is now in a position to acknowledge that a woman can throw straight enough if you give her time.—Indianapolis Journal.

FOR WOMEN. Much That Every Woman Desires to Know Is Found in Cuticura— "Cuticura Works Wonders."

Too much stress cannot be placed on the great value of Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Pills in the antiseptic cleansing of the mucous surfaces and of the blood and circulating fluids, thus affording pure, sweet and economical local and constitutional treatment for weakening discharges, ulcerations, inflammations, itches, irritations, relaxations, displacements, pains and irregularities peculiar to females, as well as such sympathetic affections as anaemia, chlorosis, hysteria, nervousness and debility.

FIXING PRICE OF POETRY. The Only Way of Deciding What the Real Article for Magazine Use Is.

The great magazine editor was wrapped in thought and cigar smoke. To him came an assistant editor with a poem, relates the Chicago Post.

Wise Proprietor.—Guest (in cheap restaurant)—"Here, waiter! This food is vile, and I don't propose to pay for it. Where's the proprietor?"

A man feels much sater with a wife and five children than with a wife and none.—N. Y. Press.

HAS A SAY. The School Principal Talks About Food.

The Principal of a High School in a flourishing Calif. city says: "For 23 years I worked in the school with only short summer vacations. I formed the habit of eating rapidly, masticated poorly which coupled with my sedentary work led to indigestion, liver trouble, lame back and rheumatism.

Upon consulting physicians some doped me with drugs, while others prescribed dieting and sometimes I got temporary relief, other times not. For 12 years I struggled along with this handicap to my work, seldom laid up but often a burden to myself with lameness and rheumatic pains.

"Two years ago I met an old friend, a physician who noticed at once my out-of-health condition and who prescribed for me an exclusive diet of Grape-Nuts, milk and fruit.

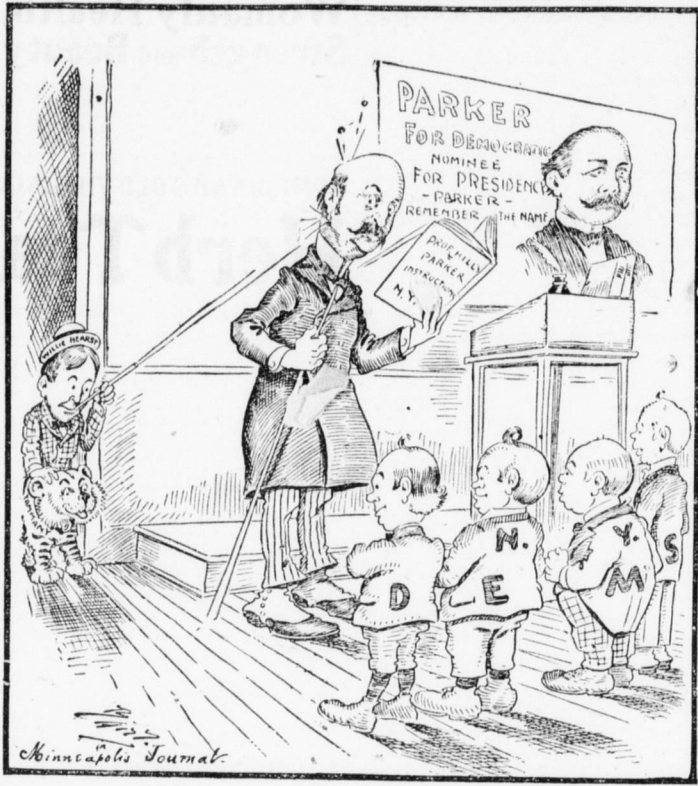
"I followed his instructions and in two months I felt like a new man with no more headaches, rheumatism or liver trouble and from that time to this Grape-Nuts has been my main food for morning and evening meals, am stronger and healthier than I have been for years without a trace of the old troubles.

"Judging from my present vigorous physical and mental state I tell my people Methuselah may yet have to take second place among the old men, for I feel like I will live a great many more years.

"To all this remarkable change in health I am indebted to my wise friend and Grape-Nuts and I hope the Postum Co. will continue to manufacture this life and health giving food for several centuries yet, until I move to a world where indigestion is unknown." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Ask any physician what he knows about Grape Nuts. Those who have tried it know things. "There's a reason." Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

INSTRUCTIONS UNDER DIFFICULTIES.



There is one little New York boy whom Schoolmaster Hill doesn't have in his school.

THE PLATFORM AND PARKER

New York Judge Will Stand on Any Old Thing the Bosses May Erect for Him.

If the democrats are on the way to the nomination of Judge Parker, the question of a platform becomes somewhat simplified. He should not be a hard man to fit. He has no political record that requires to be studied, and he possesses in platform matters the spirit of accommodation. Witness his acceptance of the Chicago and Kansas City platforms when he was not in agreement with either.

It was never difficult to fit Mr. Cleveland with a platform, even after he had made a record. He stood upon what was prepared for him. Twice his friends tried to shape the deliverances to his liking, but both times failed. The platform which Mr. Gorman took to St. Louis in 1888 was very unlike the one which Mr. Watterson induced the convention to adopt, but the change made no difference with Mr. Cleveland.

Here, then, says the Chicago Tribune, would appear to be precedent enough for Judge Parker. The nomination is the thing. He can stand upon any platform which the St. Louis convention, if influenced by the spirit of moderation and compromise, may adopt. And then he may turn to the Bryan people and say: "I voted with you twice when not in sympathy with your views. Come, now, we are not trying a case in court. Nobody is under oath. Vote for me whether you believe these things or not. I am nearer to you politically than Theodore Roosevelt, and if I am not elected he will be."

CONTEMPORARY COMMENT.

"What is a dollar good for?" asks Mr. Bryan. Why, thanks to the republican voters of this country, it is still worth 100 cents.—Indianapolis Journal.

Senator Gorman's denunciation of machine politics caused a heavy increase in the oscillations of the Washington monument.—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

Mr. Bryan announces that he is against Judge Parker, and calls him "an interrogation point." Isn't that the right thing to go with the democratic conundrum?—Cleveland Leader.

Judge Parker has ventured to make some complimentary remarks about Thomas Jefferson. The judge should be introduced to the zebra club in St. Louis if he cares to know how the name of Jefferson has been mangled by a degenerate party.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Mr. Bryan has not developed any recent traits that would warrant him in trying to commend himself to his party as a mascot.—Washington Star.

The spring crop of democratic bolts, walkouts and double conventions promises to be something extraordinary. What will the harvest be in July and later on?—Troy (N. Y.) Times.

Now, Mr. Hearst knows how it is himself. "Why, that is absolutely outrageous," he says of the Indianapolis telegram. It's a shame how careless yellow journalism is of the truth, isn't it?—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

CLEVELAND NOT OUT OF IT.

Wall Street Gamblers May Yet Bring About Nomination of the Ex-President.

In the memoirs of Henry Villard is found the story of a presidential boom in the making. A money king of Wall street originated the Cleveland movement in 1892. His sole object was financial legislation on lines of his own convictions. He drew to his side other money kings, and together they rigged the political market for Cleveland stock. By the time the democrats met in national convention the cry of "Grover Cleveland, four more years of Grover!" had drowned all other cries. Silver men, tariff reformers, all sorts and conditions of democrats, were shouting it, and everybody was led to expect that the return of Mr. Cleveland to the white house would mean a triumph for his own particular brand of democracy.

But the real Cleveland boomers had in view only one thing, viz.: the establishment of the single gold standard. It was for that, and that alone, they were maneuvering. They knew that the silver men would be bitterly disappointed. They cared nothing about free trade, and they had never been solicitous about labor. Mr. Cleveland's election, therefore, developed them in force, and forthwith they set out to secure what they were expecting, and had been promised at his hands. And they won. Mr. Cleveland was inaugurated in March, and in August congress met in special session at his call to enact financial legislation. The tariff reformers contended in vain that the tariff should have preference. The silver men, when Mr. Cleveland's recommendation appeared, asserted openly that they had been betrayed. The highways and byways were presently full of unemployed men. And so the democratic party practically went to pieces and the administration was a failure.

Again there is a Cleveland boom, says the Washington Star, and Wall street is behind it. The democratic party has never shouted more lustily for free silver than it has against the trusts. The southern men in particular have made Wall street and its monopolistic operations their text for many years. Will they go over to the Wall street candidate now, upon the assurance that Mr. Cleveland "will do the fair thing by them" in the matter of their old contention? Put forward by the trusts, and elected by them, would not Mr. Cleveland follow their suggestions and serve their interests in all things affecting them? We may be certain that he would.

Tammany Tiger Is Growling. Tammany hall came to Albany on special trains the other day, and with hatchets in hand, to show David B. Hill that they are democrats still—and not so very still. As arbitrary as ever in his use of power, Hill forced Judge Parker down the throats of the New York city democrats. Their gorge rises at the dose, and they cannot repress the choking sound in their throats. The bitter feeling which has been aroused by Hill's autocratic assumption of authority will not be allayed, and the democratic party in this state will enter into the national and state campaigns divided into discordant and warring factions.—Troy (N. Y.) Times.

Talk is silvery, but silence is golden. Nevertheless, the democracy just now is clamoring for a little of the silver from Judge Parker.—N. Y. Tribune.

Democratic talk has to be made by the papers, mostly. Parker won't talk, Hearst can't talk and Bryan has been ordered not to talk.—Indianapolis Journal.

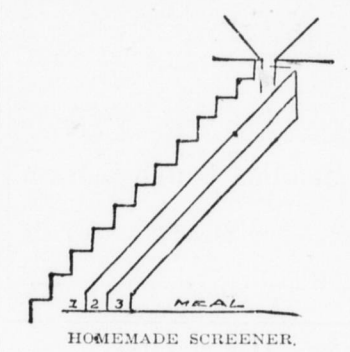
If Tammany wants to kill the Parker boom it should turn in and support it. There is nothing that scares the country away from a candidate any more than Tammany's support of him.—Philadelphia Press.



GRADE THE CRACKED CORN.

It Pays to Do This Wherever a Large Number of Hens and Chicks Is Kept.

feeding dry cracked corn to poultry much of the very fine is wasted unless it is sifted more thoroughly than is usually the case when brought from the mill, and often it is impossible to get the sizes wanted for feeding from the finely cracked for little chicks to very coarse cracked for fowls and pigeons. This led me to arrange a sort of grader. I made a hopper large enough to hold a hundredweight or so of cracked corn, with a shut-off in bottom so as to regulate the flow of grain, then with three sizes of galvanized wire netting I made screens about one foot



HOMEMADE SCREENER.

wide by six feet long. The hopper was placed up at the head of the granary stairway with the screens underneath in such a manner that when the cracked corn is allowed to run slowly from the hopper it grades nicely into three sizes of cracked corn, besides the fine meal, which would go to waste if scattered on the ground for the poultry, and anyone would be surprised at the amount of this meal saved even from the best sifted cracked corn. The size of screens may be arranged to suit each user. I use No. 4 for top or coarsest as I want it as coarse as possible for pigeons; No. 6 for second, and No. 12 for nest. These sizes if set at an angle that the corn will run down nicely without requiring any shaking to prevent lodging, will give nice grades of cracked corn. The more upright the grader is placed the more fine will be left in the coarser grades, and the less thoroughly will it be sifted. This has saved me many times its cost in the meal saved alone, aside from the convenience of having the size cracked wanted for the different birds. At times when feeding largely on cracked corn I have saved enough meal to feed two cows.—Rural New Yorker.

ENTRANCE TO THE BEEHIVE

It Should Be Large Enough to Allow Ventilation and Plenty of "Elbow" Space.

Common opinion holds that the lower part of the hive is the proper place for the entrance as it protects the brood nest and at the same time gives the bees a better chance to clean their hive of capping refuse and dead bees and to keep their house in general order. Some argue that the entrance should be near the top of the hive, thus giving bees a short cut to the combs, but on the other hand you are giving the cold air a chance to get to brood cluster, and this will bring about bad results. The size of the entrance should be ample and not too small. During the rush of the honey season the writer uses a space 3x3 inches, and during very warm weather raises hives one-quarter inch in front by means of wedges. This allows ventilation and plenty of space for all requirements during warm spring days. When robbers are apt to cause trouble close up the entrance, allowing only about enough space for two bees to enter at once. Of course your strong swarms will take care of themselves, but by doing this with your light ones you will save much trouble.—G. H. Townsend, in Ohio Farmer.

LITTLE NOTES ABOUT PIGS.

The pig is a clean, healthy animal when it has a chance. Usually a hog with harsh bristles has a coarse and thick skin. The fattening hogs should have all the grain they will eat up clean. While hogs should have plenty of water, it should be pure and fresh. To secure choice pigs, the selection of the male is of the first importance. A cross sow is a dangerous animal to have around, and should be made fat and shipped at the earliest opportunity. In selecting a young animal for breeding purposes, one with a gentle and tractable disposition should be chosen.—Midland Farmer.

Importance of Potatoes.

An acre planted to potatoes will yield more than ten times as much food material as when planted to wheat; 14 times more than rye or 17 times more than peas. The value of this crop appears to be very largely disregarded by farmers in this country. In Germany the yield per acre is two or three times as great and the total product six times as great. Besides consuming much more per capita than we do, the Germans use them for such manufactured products as starch, glucose and alcohol. The real resources of the potato should be more fully exploited in this country.

SUFFICIENT IDENTIFICATION.

Woman After Pension Gives Personal Peculiarities of Her Soldier Father.

Representative Cowherd of Missouri has a constituent, an aged woman, who has been trying to get a pension because her father had been a soldier, she was not sure in just what war. At first, says the Washington Post, she was inclined to believe he had fought in the Mexican war; then she dropped back to the Seminole war, and finally decided it was in the war of 1812 he had served. On a muster roll of the latter war she found a name that corresponded with that of her father, but did not furnish Mr. Cowherd any positive means of identification.

Mr. Cowherd notified his constituent that it would be necessary to identify her father before a pension could be granted, and in response the soldier's daughter wrote: "My father was of medium height, had black hair and eyes. He could not close one eye without closing the other, and didn't know anything about music. I think that ought to be sufficient identification for a pension."

"Sound as a Dollar." Monticello, Minn., April 25th.—Mr. J. W. Moore of this place stands as a living proof of the fact that Bright's Disease, even in the last stages, may be perfectly and permanently cured.

Mr. Moore says:—"In 1893, three reputable physicians after a careful examination told me that I would die of Bright's Disease inside of a year. My feet and ankles and legs were badly swollen; I could hardly stand on my feet and had given up all hopes of getting cured, when a traveling salesman told me that he himself had been cured of Bright's Disease two years before. He said he had taken to his bed and expected to die with it, but that he had been cured by a remedy called Dodd's Kidney Pills. "I commenced taking them at once and I am thankful to say that they saved my life. After a short treatment, I was completely restored to good health and I am as sound as a dollar."

Booming Business.

"That lobbyist seems to have a good deal of money to spend," remarked the first counsellor. "Yes," replied the other, "he's working for an ordinance to allow automobiles unlimited speed."

"Ah! in the interest of the Auto club?" "No, the undertakers' trust."—Philadelphia Ledger.

K. C. S. Almanac for 1904.

The Kansas City Southern Railway Company's Annual Almanac is now ready for distribution. It contains the usual monthly calendars, many useful household hints and information concerning the Territory, Texas and Louisiana. Write for a copy to, S. G. Warner, Gen. Pass. & Tkt. Agt. K. C. S. Ry., Kansas City, Mo.

A Pennsylvania farmer has had his wife arrested for cruelty because she insisted on grinding out "Harvath" on a phonograph. There are limits beyond which it is unsafe to go even in torturing an agriculturist.—Rochester Union.

Don't Get Footsore! Get Foot-Ease. A wonderful powder that cures tired, hot, aching feet and makes new or tight shoes easy. Ask to-day for Allen's Foot-Ease. Accept no substitute. Trial package FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

When a man is bound to break into business, he says, "Competition is the life of trade," but he soon finds out different.—Washington (D. C.) Democrat.

Horse and Horse. Merchant—I'm looking for a man I can trust. Applicant for Position—Then I guess there's nothing doing. I'm looking for a man who would trust me.—Chicago Journal.

Even Adam. Our primal parent had just taken a good bite of the apple. "Now, Addie," says Eve, "don't tell me that it isn't as good as mother used to make."—Yale Record.

Fact and Fancy. Howell—I told Rowell to-day that he should hitch his wagon to a star. Powell—He is more apt to have his automobile waiting-around for a sourette.—Town Topics.

Sarcastic. Tom—I had all the conceit taken out of me yesterday. Dora—Indeed! And where did they find room to put it all?—Illustrated Bits.

In Practice. He—Do you think you could learn to love me in time? She—Oh! easily. I only require about a week usually.—Illustrated Bits.

As Others See Us. Her—And do you really think my new portrait looks like me? Him—Yes, it really does, I'm sorry to say.—Chicago Daily News.

Handicapped. "He can't tell the truth if he tries." "Oh, yes, he can. But he tells it in such a way that it seems to be a lie."—Brooklyn Life.

Advertisement for St. Jacobs Oil, featuring the text 'The Shortest Way out of an attack of Rheumatism or Neuralgia' and an illustration of a person in pain.



Miss M. Cartledge gives some helpful advice to young girls. Her letter is but one of thousands which prove that nothing is so helpful to young girls who are just arriving at the period of womanhood as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I cannot praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound too highly, for it is the only medicine I ever tried which cured me. I suffered much from my first menstrual period. I felt so weak and dizzy at times I could not pursue my studies with the usual interest. My thoughts became sluggish, I had headaches, backaches and sinking spells, also pains in the back and lower limbs. In fact, I was sick all over. "Finally, after many other remedies had been tried, we were advised to get Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I was pleased to say that after taking it only two weeks, a wonderful change for the better took place, and in a short time I was in perfect health. I felt buoyant, full of life, and found all work a pastime. I am indeed glad to tell my experience with Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, for it made a different girl of me. Yours very truly, MISS M. CARTLIDGE, 533 Whitehall St., Atlanta, Ga. —\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced."

Advertisement for Pope Manufacturing Co. featuring 'New Features for 1904' and 'Two-Speed Gear Coaster Brake' with various bicycle models listed.

Advertisement for Bridge Whist Rules in Rhyme, 'BY H. C. VAL EASY TO LEARN AND TO REMEMBER'.

Advertisement for Saw Mills, 'The DeLoach Patent Variable Friction Feed Saw Mills'.

Advertisement for A Silo, 'WILL INCREASE YOUR RECEIPTS AND CUT DOWN YOUR EXPENSES'.

Advertisement for Ostrich Feathers, 'BIG SAVING'.

Advertisement for Military County Land Warrants, 'I PAY SPOT CASH FOR MILITARY COUNTY Land Warrants'.

Advertisement for Piles, 'ANAKESIS'.

Advertisement for Free Stomach-Liver Remedy, 'FREE'.

Advertisement for Patents, '48-page book FREE'.

Advertisement for Piso's Cure for Consumption, 'PISO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION'.