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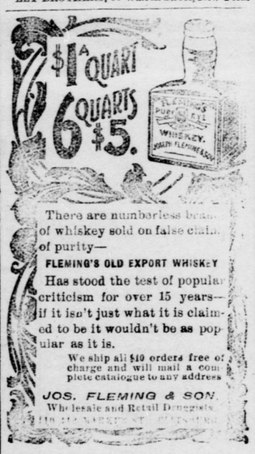

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APRIL ASTRONOMY.

Several typographical errors crept into my last article, which it is of considerable importance to have corrected. For the angular diameter of Venus, instead of 37 minutes 6 seconds, read 37.6 seconds of arc. For fumacs, read furnaces; for septillous, read septillions; for aries, read Aries, and for Titan, read Titan.

During the month of April all the major planets except Uranus and Neptune may be seen with the naked eye between sunset and midnight. Venus although approaching the earth, is becoming less brilliant, because as she overtakes the earth more and more of her unilluminated disk is directed toward the latter. On the 28th she will be in conjunction with the sun and nearest the earth, the distance between the two planets at closest approach being about 26½ millions of miles. Venus sets this evening at 9:31 and on the 15th at 8:33, local time.

Mercury, on the 28th, will be at greatest elongation from the sun, his angular distance from the latter being 20 deg. and 43 seconds E. This planet being somewhat elusive and difficult to find, is seldom seen by ordinary observers. When in the best position for observation he shines with the brilliancy of an average star of the first magnitude. To those who wish to see Mercury, we suggest the following easy method of finding him. If the sky is clear on the evening of the 28th, let the observer at 7:55 o'clock, standard time direct his eye to a point in the horizon 20 degrees north of due west, and then shift the gaze straight upward from that point 12 degrees, and the object sought for will be seen. These directions will be approximately correct for two or three evenings before or after the 28th, but the latter date is preferable if the meteorological conditions favor it, as the planet is then at a greater elongation from the sun. At the time indicated Mercury is equal in altitude to the seven stars, and is only about a degree south of that agglomeration.

It will be interesting to observe the large apparent size of the full moon on the 17th inst. The moon is in perigee on that date, and is uncommonly close to the earth. A calculation shows that the distance between the earth and its satellite at 7 P. M. on that day will be but 222,127 miles, center to center. From surface to surface of the two bodies would be but little more than 217,000 miles, and if when the moon crosses the meridian on that date, it is in the zenith of the observer (which it will be in south latitude 20 degrees) he may consider himself within that distance of the lunar surface.

The question will naturally arise, why is the moon so much closer to the earth than usual at this time? Instead of the earth being in one of the foci of the elliptical orbit which the moon describes, it is the common center of gravity of these two bodies that is so situated, and both the earth and moon revolve around this common center of gravity, the earth describing a small orbit of about 3,000 miles radius. Now when the earth is displaced from this common center of gravity towards the moon and the moon is at the same time at the lower apsis or perigee, it follows that the moon must then be closer to the earth than the average perigean distance by an amount equal to the radius of the little orbit referred to. If when the moon is at the lower apsis the earth is displaced from the common center of gravity in a direction from the moon, it is plain the distance between them will be 3,000 miles greater than the average perigean distance. The distance of the moon at apagee is likewise subject to these variations, its maximum distance being about 253,000 miles.

On the evening of April 5th an interesting phenomenon may be witnessed. The two stars 19 Tauri and 20 Tauri of the group the Pleiades will be occulted by the moon. These stars are very fain being each of the 5th magnitude, and a good opera glass with a perfectly clear sky will be necessary to observe the occultations, although it is possible the immersions behind the dark limb of the moon might be observed by extra good eyes unaided. When not in proximity to the moon these stars may be easily seen with the naked eye. The eastern standard time of the phases and the angles of position as computed for the latitude and meridian of Butler, are as follows:—

	Immersion	Emersion
19 Tauri	7:54	8:58
20 Tauri	8:17	9:11

□ Angles of position in degreea:—

	At Immersion	At Emersion
19 Tauri	91	261
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If marriage were not such a doubtful state—and women were all that they seemed—and the dudes were obliterated from the face of the earth—and the offensive partisans were not too rampant—and that we could discover that a man may be good even before he dies—and society were not a matrimonial mart—and the objectionable features could be eliminated from the waltz—and the collection box was not always associated with religion—and sensationalism was not considered naughty by the people—and spiritualism did not look so like a fake—and the suicide would not seek the nicest room in a hotel wherein to die—and the pies "like mother used to make" were more numerous—and the bad spellers were not so anxious to write letters—and girls who go to cooking schools were not too tired to help mother get dinner when they come home—and the pugilists wouldn't talk so much about fighting—and the word "genial" were not used so much—and a few other things were arranged—this world would not be a bad place in which to live.—Ex.

An exchange says: Pick out twenty young men as you meet them and not more than five out of the twenty are making any effort to save money. The indications are that the poorhouse of the future will have to be ten stories high, with folding beds in every room.

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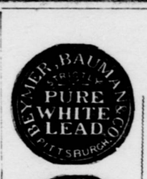

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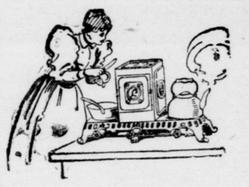

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The first shipment of SPRING BONNETS, HATS, FLOWERS, RIBBONS, etc. has arrived. **THEY ARE BEAUTIES,** and at prices way below the usual prices for early Spring goods. If you want a stylish Bonnet or Hat now is the time as we have all the new shapes **for Spring in stock.**

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D. T. PAPE,

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Shoeing the Family

Is one of the problems that the head of the house has to struggle with, and the size of the bills usually calls forth a groan. They always cease when we undertake the contract. The family is just as well shod, with just as stylish shoes as they ever were, but the bill is less. They don't understand it however. It is a species of witchcraft perhaps—sort of a shoe *leather-de-main*, as it were. But we know the reason. The prices have been too high. That is where we make our gain. We see that the shoes are a little higher grade than others offer, and then we chop the price down. If you are paying too much for your shoes, (and you are, if you are not buying them here) don't you think this would be a good time to reform? Suppose you come in and **have a chat with us about this. Never too busy to talk shoes.**

A. RUFF & SON,

No. 114, S. Main St.

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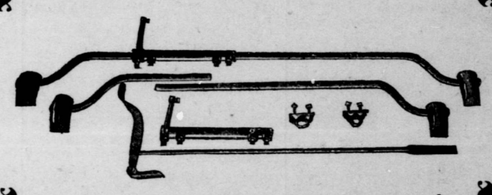

Is now Champion, so you have been told, but you have never been told of buggies and harness selling as cheap as we are selling them now.

Just think of a pretty Surrey for $52.50 And Top Buggies for $30.

Do you ask how we get them? Do you know that over fifty carriage manufacturers failed last year? We always have the cash and have been in business so long that we know when bargains are offered and have always made it a rule to give our customers the benefit of our bargains; that is why our business has increased so greatly.

We make and repair all kinds of harness. Our own make work harness, **$22.50,** and our own make buggy harness, **$8.50.** Wheels, tops, dashes, harness oil, sweat pads, collars, shafts, poles, trunks, valises, everything and Kramer Wagons. **The best wagon on Earth.**

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