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THE courts at Denver have a puzzler on their hands in regard to the settlement of an estate. Hobart Sheerer, while dangerously ill, made a will in contemplation of the birth of a child, providing that if it were a boy he should inherit two-thirds of the estate, and his wife one-third; but if it was a girl, she would receive one-third, and his wife two-thirds. After his death his widow gave birth to twins, one a girl and the other a boy. The question is how will the estate be divided?

THE Pennsylvania railroad's gross earnings last year were \$265,969,597.76, and its net earnings \$73,969,219.34. And still it persists in the petty business of holding its patrons up to the \$10 deposit or \$20 mileage books. But never mind, the railroads will have to suffer for their greed at the next session of the Pennsylvania Legislature. We look for some very stringent railroad legislation then, and while we believe it can be easily overdone, the railroads will have only themselves to blame for the bitter dose of legislation in store for them.

It is amusing to note the great amount of blowing some of the rural newspapers do about the great amount of so-called news they give their readers in the shape of country correspondence. The fact is that the poorest newspapers in existence are those which devote about one-half of their space to country correspondence, and the other half to blowing about it. The great bulk of country correspondence published in rural newspapers isn't worth reading. Most of it is neither news, wit, wisdom or common sense. It is largely made up of free advertising and silly neighborhood twaddle that is sickening to persons of intelligence and refinement. We do not mean to convey the idea that the country people are all ignorant or silly, for such is not the case. On the contrary, there are fewer ignoramuses in the country than in the towns, but the intelligent and substantial country residents are not usually the ones who act as regular correspondents to the county newspapers, unless they have an axe to grind, which they do by advertising some side issue they are engaged in, through the news columns of the local paper. As a prominent educator of this county once remarked: "The country correspondent usually writes much, but says little." And the reason good country newspaper correspondents are so scarce, is the fact that the average country paper isn't able to pay for correspondence, and without pay, in this busy age, good news gatherers can seldom be secured. There are some few exceptions, of course, but they are very few. And if you will take notice, you will observe that the best country newspapers everywhere are rapidly dropping the country correspondence feature. One reason of this is that many country correspondents insist on giving a name of their own to their respective neighborhoods, and it is usually a name that people a few miles out of the neighborhood never heard of, hence do not know the actual locality where the news (if news it may be called) emanates from. But the chief objection to country correspondence is the fact that it is usually mere rot or commonplace gossip that cannot be called news, and is usually sought after by editors either too lazy or too incompetent to write anything worth reading themselves.

WABASH ROUTE SELECTED.  
Cumberland, Md., March 9.—Chief Engineer J. Q. Barlow has fully decided upon the route of the Western extension of the Western Maryland railroad between Cumberland and Uniontown, Pa., and is making profiles of the proposed route. The right of way has been secured, except in one or two instances. Low grades, easy curves and short tunnels have been secured. The minimum curve will be eight degrees, and the grades will be easier than those of any road crossing the Alleghenies.  
The heaviest and most difficult work between Cumberland and Wheeling will be that which extends for 20 miles west of this city. There will be four tunnels, one at Kreisbaum, the second under the Cumberland and Pennsylvania, at Allegheny, the third at the Borden tramway, and the fourth through Savage mountain, a distance of about 3,700 feet.  
The other three tunnels aggregate about 2,200 feet. While the fills will be large and the cuts deep, they will not compare with the work on the Cherry Run extension. It is estimated that the work for 20 miles west of Cumberland will cost \$2,500,000, or \$125,000 a mile.  
It was stated yesterday that the work will begin within three months.

### A VACCINATION LIAR.

Last week there appeared in one of our exchanges a strong plea in favor of compulsory vaccination, and of all the jackassical statements we have seen in public print in a long time, the article we refer to contained the most ridiculous and damnably false statements. Among other fool assertions, the writer said:  
"The unvaccinated person runs 125 chances of taking the smallpox to a vaccinated person's one. It costs on an average \$350 to take care of a smallpox patient, to say nothing of all the suffering. It costs on an average 29 cents to have a person vaccinated. There is quite a difference. Before vaccination was introduced, smallpox was a very common disease. It is now comparatively rare, and people who have been vaccinated, if they get the disease, usually take it in a light form. It may not be generally known that a president of the anti-vaccination league himself refused to be vaccinated and died of the disease."

Ye gods, what logic! Ye gods, what lies! The statements quoted are on a par with all the rot published in favor of vaccination. As to the chances of taking smallpox being 125 to one, any person making such a fool statement is either an infernal liar, a disgusting ignoramus or an easy dupe of doctor-craft who is afraid to think and investigate for himself, fearing that he might discover that he had been holding onto some erroneous opinions.

Most doctors will tell you that vaccination isn't a preventative of smallpox at all, but put great stress on the statement that it modifies the disease and renders it much less dangerous. The fact is that it does neither, and well do the doctors know it. They used to tell people that vaccination was a preventative, but the frequent outbreaks of the disease in well vaccinated strongholds (and that's where the most smallpox is usually found) caused them to abandon that lie and take up another one not so easy to detect. Now, when two persons have smallpox, one a vaccinated person and the other unvaccinated, the doctor attending them will put out the statement that the unvaccinated person has the disease in the worst form, while the other patient has only a mild attack. The facts may be directly the opposite, but lots of people will swallow the doctor's statement, regardless of its truth or its falsity. In as many cases death carries away the vaccinated patient as the unvaccinated patient, thus giving the lie to the medical profession. Then what does the doctor do to allay the doubts arising in the minds of the people familiar with such cases? Why, he just tells them that while the patient had been vaccinated, he had not been successfully vaccinated, and as proof he cites the fact that the patient died. The easy dupes are then satisfied, and the medical grafter who compiles the lying vaccination statistics in the interest of his profession, classes the dead patient with those not successfully vaccinated. How easy! That word "successful" covers a multitude of lies to the entire satisfaction of the easy dupes.

Then think of the lying statement that vaccination has made smallpox a comparatively rare disease! Nothing could be farther from the truth. The fact is the disease has got to be so common that it no longer creates much excitement. A recent statement issued by Dr. Dixon, the State Health Commissioner of Pennsylvania, shows that smallpox has been alarmingly prevalent in this country in recent years, and he quotes figures to show that Pennsylvania had far more cases of it than any other state. And all this in spite of the fact that Pennsylvania has had on its statute books, for a number of years, and still has, a stringent vaccination law that has been, and is still being enforced with brutal energy. But Dixon keeps howling for more vaccination, and recently he has been sending out pictures of three children, two of them clean and healthy looking, the other horribly afflicted with smallpox. The statement goes with the picture that the children are all members of the same family, and that the afflicted one was not vaccinated, while the other two were, and that the two vaccinated children that did not take the disease were constantly exposed to the one that did take it. The case is referred to as conclusive proof of the benefits of vaccination.

Bah! It is no proof at all, for many cases just the reverse can be cited. Joshua Messersmith, the trusty engineer on the Jennings railroad, informs us that his wife and several of his children had been successfully vaccinated in a town in Eastern Pennsylvania, some years ago, but not long afterward they contracted smallpox in its most virulent form, and every one of them died. Mr. Messersmith and his eldest son nursed the patients during their illness, and neither the father nor the

son contracted the disease. Neither of them had been vaccinated, either. How does that tally with old Doc. Dixon's positive proof picture?

Rev. Alfred Turner, late pastor of the Salisbury M. E. church, has personally informed the editor of this paper that he saw and was among many cases of smallpox in Philadelphia, some years ago, and that he found the disease to be no respecter of persons, whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, neither in severity nor in the number of cases among each class.

Improved sanitary conditions and improved methods of nursing have done much toward stamping out the disease in late years, but vaccination has accomplished nothing but harm for its victims, and much revenue for the doctors.

The statement that the president of an anti-vaccination society refused to be vaccinated, took smallpox and died, may be considered a great argument by the exchange we have quoted from; but as people always have died from various causes, and always will die, there is nothing out of the ordinary in the case referred to. Thousands of vaccinated people die of smallpox every year, but of course when they die, the doctors say their vaccination was not successful, no matter how sore their arms were as a result of it. Great is vaccination—for the purses of the doctors.

### THE RIGHT IDEA.

One would think the Laxative idea in a cough syrup should have been advanced long before it was. It seems the only rational remedy for Coughs and Colds would be to move the bowels and clean the mucous membranes of the throat and lungs at the same time. Kennedy's Laxative Honey and Tar does this. It is the Original Laxative Cough Syrup, the best known remedy for Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping Cough, etc. Tastes good and harmless. Sold by E. H. Miller. 4-1

### TRUTH IN LARGE CHUNKS.

This is the Age of Grifters Posing as Reformers.

The following from the Connellsville Courier has THE STAR's most hearty approval in all details:

"The magazine fulminations of the Tarbells, the Steffenses, the Philippses and the Crosbys exposing the crimes of wealth and the crooked paths of those who walk in public life are not to be implicitly accepted as words of truth and soberness. They are for the most part only poorly disguised sensationalism. Most of the cheap magazines that have in the past few years multiplied and grown fat, thanks to the patronage of an indiscriminating and complaisant public, are distinctly and undeniably 'yellow.'

We want sensational matter, and the Exposers, Revealers and Enlighteners have furnished it, needless to say, for a consideration. There is one notable exception to this rule, however. Tommy Lawson, of Boston, pays to have his matter printed, but as he is an acknowledged part of the system he pursues with wordy warfare, and is only working the other side of the street, his contributions very properly come under the classification of advertising, and are paid for accordingly.

Magazine publishers, however, print none of this matter in a spirit of lofty publicism. They are not life-savers of the nation, but wreckers of private character. Pelf, not patriotism, is their object.

Some of the stuff published is wholly imaginative, and much is highly exaggerated. The chief crime of the victims of the Evil Busters is that they are either rich or successful, or both, conditions which must inevitably obtain so long as society shall endure without evolution into absolute and ideal Socialism, a state of beatitude utterly impossible this side of heaven.

There are millionaires and multimillionaires in America, but it is also a gratifying fact that prosperity is more widely diffused today than it ever was in the nation's history. It is not a case of the rich getting richer and the poor getting poorer, but of a great country growing richer by reason of its wonderful resources and the unflagging enterprise of its intelligent people.

Neither in politics nor in business is this country so wholly corrupt or despairingly degenerated as these pessimistic penny-a-liners would have the public believe."

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