

Government Encouraging Willow Culture—Distributes 100,000 Cuttings from Washington.

Washington, March 31.—The government is right in the midst of the harvest of a most unique crop at its experimental farm near Arlington, just across the Potomac from this city, where a corps of laborers in charge of trained foresters are preparing for the annual free distribution of 100,000 basket willow cuttings.

"Uncle Sam" is encouraging the growing of high grade willow rods in this country, and in the five years since the establishment of the holt at Arlington, approximately a half million select cuttings have been distributed among farmers, with directions for planting and preparing for market. Particular attention is given to selecting the varieties and strains best suited to the soil where the plantings will be made.

Willowcraft is an industry which is constantly growing in importance in this country, yet the culture of basket willow in the United States made very little progress until five or six years ago. Even now, practically all of the best grades of basket willow are imported from Europe, chiefly from France. European manufacturers compete keenly for the best products in their countries, and until recently only the inferior rods were sent to America, where they have been bought at three times the prices quoted for similar stock a few years ago. Experiments have shown that the best grades of willow can be grown in this country at a good profit, and farmers are turning their attention to its culture, more and more each year.

This year's harvest began early in March. Four approved varieties are being sent out, and only the best and most thrifty rods are selected for distribution. The management of the holt and work of free distribution of cuttings is charged to the United States Forest Service. Cuttings for experimental planting and information on management of the willow holt are furnished those who make the request of the Forester at Washington.

The government recognizes the importance of good cuttings, a point more commonly overlooked than the matter of cultivation. Only the best and most thrifty rods are selected for each season's distribution. To produce a desirable grade of rods it is very important to select planting stock not only from thoroughly tested varieties, but the cuttings should be taken from the tallest, perfectly straight, cylindrical branchless, and fully mature rods. High grade basket willows can be raised only by being sure that the cuttings planted are from parent stock above the average.

The policy of the Forest Service is to increase the number of important basket willows and determine their value under different soil and climatic conditions, and as the final tests of new varieties are completed, those proved to be valuable will be added to the distribution list.

Cuttings of new and untried basket willows were obtained from Europe a year ago, and planted in the Service's experimental ground. Close observations will be made upon the growth of these, and if the results are favorable during the first 3 years, cuttings from these varieties will be distributed in the United States. In case of some varieties a much longer time may elapse before their value can be established.

The Forest Service is receiving a constantly increasing number of requests for basket willow cuttings. These requests come from farmers all over the country, many of them coming through members of Congress. The Service is endeavoring to stimulate the basket willow industry in this country by distributing cuttings of the most approved varieties of willows, and the four varieties tested for the last 5 years in the experimental holt at Arlington Va., can now be confidently distributed. The behavior of the plants has been carefully observed as to the quantity and quality of the crop, to their resistance and lack of resistance to diseases, as well as other points that would effect the profitability of each variety. The observations made during the first 2 years were published in Circular 148, by the Forest Service. At the close of this spring's harvesting, now going on, the results of the past three years' tests will be published.

SWEPT OVER NIAGARA.

This terrible calamity often happens because a careless boatman ignores the river's warnings—growing ripples and faster current—Nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you the kidneys need attention if you would escape fatal maladies—Dropsy, Diabetes or Bright's disease. Take Electric Bitters at once and see Backache fly and all your best feelings return. "After long suffering from weak kidneys and lame back, one \$1.00 bottle wholly cured me," writes J. R. Blankenship, of Belk, Tenn. Only 50c. at Elk Lick Pharmacy.

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Troubles in The Church.

Bishop T. B. Neely is having a good deal of trouble with the Methodist churches in Chicago. Rev. Percy W. Powers has been granted a vacation to visit his wife, who is now in Arizona. Brother Powers has been breaking the bread of life to the Adams street communicants of the Methodist church. He first emerged from obscurity about two weeks ago, when he caused the arrest of a Mrs. Fenner, charging that she had tried to extort \$15 from him. She showed that the \$15 was to pay for a present which Powers wished the church to make.

The arrest so wrought upon the lady's mind, however, that she took her own life. While the body lay in a morgue, Mr. Powers was notified of the occurrence in Arizona, and thereupon gave expression to his conviction that Mrs. Fenner's death had been providentially brought about, so as to halt her upon her career of evil. He added that he would spend the night in communication with the Supreme Power, to the end he might "understand the mystery better." His church, however, failed to take this view of it. It seemed to the outside public that Mr. Powers, in spite of his sacred character, was acting the part of a sneak, and so they have intimated that he better stay with his consumptive wife in Arizona, and that the bishop get someone else to fill his pulpit.

In the meantime, the trouble with Rev. E. B. Crawford and Mrs. Mary Lavender, of the Woodlawn Methodist church, continues, and the poor bishop is nearly torn down by the weight of woe. It would appear that the Methodists in Chicago are getting unusually frisky, and what they really need is a new dispensation of the spirit to bring them into line. To add to the trouble, Rev. Ferdinand S. Rockwell has retired from the Sheridan Park Methodist church. In a written communication, he says: "Preaching the gospel does not pay. I am given \$2,500 a year by the church. I cannot support my family in the style it deserves to live, on that amount. To give my children the education I think they should have, and my wife the opportunity she desires in her line of work, I need \$10,000 a year. I cannot get it in the church."

At first sight, the unbeliever might conclude that Rev. Rockwell was about to turn evangelist and wooer up in the fashion of Billy Sunday, but not so. He is only going to hire out to an automobile firm and sell buzz wagons, feeling that in this way he can minister to suffering humanity more effectively than he can by preaching the gospel. The times in Chicago among the brethren seem to be sadly out of joint.—Peoria Star.

Lost Eye by Accident.

While at work last week in the mines of the Somerset Coal Company, at Listie, Norman Saylor, eldest son of Franklin P. Saylor, had the misfortune to lose an eye on the sharp point of a mine pick. He left the pick lying on a bench of coal which he was working, with the sharp point protruding, and while in the act of stooping over, it ran into his eye, penetrating the eyeball and forcing the contents of the eye out upon his cheek. Not knowing how badly he was injured, he went into another room where some men were working, to find out how badly he was hurt, and when the men gazed at him they were horrified at the sight he presented. He was immediately taken to his home, and a physician summoned, who alleviated his suffering as much as possible under the circumstances. Later advices received from the patient are that he is resting easier, but will lose the sight of his eye.—Somerset Standard.

New Rules Governing Appointment of Fourth Class Postmasters.

Congressman A. F. Cooper has sent to some of his constituents copies of new rules and regulations governing the appointment of Fourth Class postmasters.

Applicants must pass a Civil Service examination; must be 21 years of age to be eligible, if males, and 18 years if females, and citizens of the United States; applicants must be vouched for by three citizens who are of age, owners of real estate and patrons of the office named in the application; political or religious affiliations of applicants will not be given any consideration whatever, nor shall political endorsements be received or entertained; the merit and qualifications of the applicant and the good of the service shall alone be considered; the application of any person who attempts to exercise political influence may be cancelled.

All communications relative to Fourth Class postmaster applications and examinations should be addressed to the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

W. C. T. U. Meeting.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at their rooms in the McKinley building, Tuesday evening, April 13th, 1909. Following is the program:

- Singing.
- Scripture reading.
- Prayer.
- Singing.
- Roll call.
- Reading of minutes.
- Business.
- Reading—Mrs. Cochrane.
- Recitation—Florence Rayman.
- Reading—Lulu Baumgartner.
- Paper—Mrs. Haselbarth.
- Reading—Mrs. Wahl.
- Collection.
- Repeating Crusade Psalm.

COMMITTEE.

Three Terms of Court in May.

Judge Kooser has called two special terms of court for the trial of civil cases for next month, each of which will continue one week. The first will convene on May 10 and the second on May 31. The regular May term of criminal court will convene on May 17. The following cases are set for trial for the week commencing May 10.

- G. A. Dentzel vs. Island Park Association, replevin.
- Monumental Automobile Co. vs. T. W. Gurley, assumpsit.
- Wm. B. Kennell vs. Andrew Kennell, ejectment.

Adaline Guptill vs. P. W. & S. R. R. Co., trespass.

Stanislaid Koroczok vs. Merchants Coal Co., trespass.

Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co. vs. Appel & Glessner, assumpsit.

Andy Boksha vs. B. & O. R. R. Co., trespass.

Crabbe & Hawke vs. Thos. Flanagan, appeal.

Samuel Clark vs. Wm. Bowman, appeal.

Daniel Wagner vs. James F. Hammer et al., trespass.

Amanda E. Goller vs. B. & O. R. R. Co., trespass.

Wagner Manufacturing Co. vs. Merchants Coal Co., assumpsit.

Olaf Hanson's use vs. D. B. Zimmerman, assumpsit.

S. D. Livengood vs. John T. Ravenscraft, to open judgment.

Bolinger Bros. vs. Quamahoning Coal Co., assumpsit.

Melochill Bros. vs. John I. Baush, appeal.

The following cases are on the calendar for the second special term, which will convene on May 31:

Samuel Krider vs. Windber Bros., trespass.

Michigan Buggy Co. vs. N. Klingeman & Son, appeal.

Barbara Pifer vs. Josiah L. Berkey, feigned issue.

Isaiah Good vs. J. M. Shober, assumpsit.

Robert McCondis's use vs. Andrew Coughenour, appeal.

Johnstown Vehicle Co. vs. Frank Wagner, appeal.

Leopold Albright vs. Coronet Coal Co., appeal.

Price Hardwood Co. vs. Duncan Lumber Co., assumpsit.

H. W. Walker vs. Somerset Lumber Co., assumpsit.

T. B. Dean vs. B. & O. R. R. Co., ejectment.

A. J. Saylor vs. Emil D. Daub, appeal.

McAllister-Coman Co. vs. R. E. Hefley, assumpsit.

Wm. Custer vs. Geo. Stutt et al., assumpsit.

Jos. G. Miller & Co. vs. Caldwell & Drake, assumpsit.

W. S. Kimmel vs. David Weigle, appeal.

Midland Mining Co. vs. Penwood Coal Co.

THE BLANKS WE KEEP.

The following blanks can be obtained at all times at THE STAR office: Leases, Mortgages, Deeds, Judgment Bonds, Common Bonds, Judgment Notes, Receipt Books, Landlord's Notice to Tenants, Constable Sale Blanks, Summons Execution for Debt, Notice of Claims for Collection, Commitments, Subpoenas, Criminal Warrants, etc. tf

Do You Belong to "The Citizens' Committee?"

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The General Progress Committee is the Unofficial Town Booming Committee. It really ought to be organized and made official. Let all of us work together for the advancement of the town we live in, and there will be more room around new excavations for the fellows at work to throw out the dirt.

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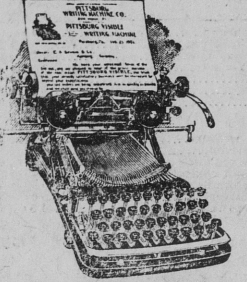
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