Do You Use Salt?

It will pay you in numerous ways to use the salt that's all salt. This is especially true as to the butter maker. You recognize a difference in butter. We can point you out a difference in salt. You strive for the best milk, why not search for the best salt? Test, compare, ask questions. Investigate what

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has done for others. There's no secret about it. Write and get particulars. We grand that salt is cheap, but is that a good reason why you should not have the best? Look fairly and fully into the salt question, and you'll find the way to better flavored butter, and better prices through our dairy. Salt is indispensable for cooking and table use also. Write us about it.

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A HOME FOR THE DYING.

Where the Desolate Did May End Their Days in Peace.

It was a woman whose tender heart first suggested the sweet charity of establishing a home for the dying, a woman whose personality is hidden under the veil of a sister of charity. But the idea suggested by her was executed by kind and magnanimous women, and both London and Dublin have such places, where the weary wanderer nearing the end of life's highroad may go and be cared for to the last, says the New York Advertiser.

These homes are called hospices for the dying, and the pretty name implies a resting place in the high Alps, where travel-weary folk may rest a little before winding down their way into the valleys where the shadows dwell.

Within these houses of death from 200 to 300 beds have been provided for the occupants, and the rooms are strangely bright and light. The men occupy the lower floor of the hospital, the women upstairs. Each ward has its sitting room, and a pagoda is provided for the men in the garden, where they may go to smoke. Books and newspapers are strewn about, novels lying by the side of bibles and preparation for death prayers. In some of the beds there are patients who are dying fast; some have already passed into a state of unconsciousness and the bed curtains are closely drawn. The wards are open without payment all who have no place where they might end life's struggle in peace and comfort. There are also single rooms for paying patients, delightful little nooks, daintily appointed and sweetly comfortable.

The mortuary chapel is a pure sanctuary of white marble, with roses scenting the air and mingling with the fragrance of the wax candles that are lighted beside the marble slabs on which the listless sleepers await burial. What greater charity is there than to provide a home for the dying poor? A shelter away from the noisy and noisome tenement, where the weary, foot-sore laborer, the tired, broken woman may catch a last glimpse of life's sweetness under the rainbow of promise that ere long tears shall be no more.

Apple Is Petroleum Useful.

The officials of the Prussian state railways have for several years been making use of petroleum in order to remove the incrustations in the boilers of locomotives and fixed machinery. These trials have been so satisfactory that petroleum is now used in every case where the incrustations are not too hard and impermeable. Petroleum is used after washing the boiler and after the compartments of the latter are completely dried; the petroleum is applied with the aid of brushes or injected by means of a pump. On some occasions an attempt has been made to make use of petroleum before the water in the boiler has been removed. In this case, the Journal of the Society of Chemical Industry says, the petroleum spreads uniformly over the whole surface of the water, and when the latter is allowed to run out slowly the petroleum fixes itself regularly in the porous incrustations, which absorb it.

Busy New York Stay.

New York grows 5,000,000 tons of hay and raises 30,000,000 bushels of potatoes. The internal trade of New York exceeds $2,000,000,000 a year; $1,600,000,000 of freight passes over the railroads, $150,000,000 over the canals and $250,000,000 over the sound and lakes. New York sustains over 1,000 newspapers and periodicals, has $600,000,000 in the savings banks, $300,000,000 in insurance companies and $700,000,000 in capital and shares of the banks. There are 6,000 miles of railroads, which cost over $600,000,000. There are 23,000,000 acres of farm lands, valued at $1,565,000,000, and annually producing $178,000,000.

Criticism.

"Look here," said the editor of a New Mexico paper to his reporter, "you refer to a 'Twelfth Night' scene, from Shakespeare's play."

"Yes, sir."

"Well, young man, it may be just as well for the credit of this paper and for your future comfort, to remember that there were only 'Ten Nights in a Bar Room,' and that Shakespeare didn's write the play anyhow."

And he stalked haughty forth.

One Result of Amateur Photography.

Amateur photography has taught many thousands the truth as to the cost of photographic processes and made it more difficult than it once was for professional photographers to charge exorbitant rates for so-called "extras." Is sometimes happens that $1 per dozen extra is added to the price of photographs for processes that consume little or no time and require the use of materials that are almost valueless.

A Neighbors Mistakes.

Little Miss Freckles—Your sister is taking music lessons, ain't she?

Little Miss Muggs—Yes, she's going to learn to play and sing.

"Is that what it's for?"

"Of course."

"Then my papa made a mistake."

"How?"

"He said he guessed your papa wanted to buy the next door neighbors' house at a sacrifice."

High Achievement.

"How's your boy doing in the city, Deacon Smith? Getting along well?"

"Well, I should say so! He's a senator in one of the biggest houses in New York. His firm does millions of business in a year; millions, sir."

WHAT THEY READ.

A Little Talk on Literature for the Little People.

"There is nothing too good for the children," is the rule of the kindergarten.

Without a thought we buy a motley array of books bad in color, lacking purpose, and empty of interest when the novelty is worn off.

We cannot too young lead the child to the highest like, and we should do it without prejudice; or, as some one has said, "with as few adjectives as possible." Here are a few rules for gift-book giving to children:

A gift book should bear a "gift thought."

Courtesy and friendship demand that a gift be preserved and cherished; therefore give books worthy of it, especially to a child.

Give a book that shall embody your peculiar interest or ideal; in this gift give of give yourself somewhat.

Give all the worth and quality you can afford to give, and no more, and let the recipient feel that you have chosen with care and love; it may be the single seed for the planting of a library.

A child's book should be simple, joyous, and full of living truth, and such a book when found can be described as good from the earliest years forward, and the mother will enjoy each word of it as much as her youngest listener.

There are few books but are the better for being lovingly read in communion with mother, and books prepared from the kindergarten point of view are deep enough, sweet enough, and true enough to engross the old as well as the young.

What is the difference between kindergarten literature and other literature? It simply this:

Stories and verses ordinarily rolled up to a child are of a quality which covers over the young impressionable mind with a haze of sentimentalism and weak purposes. The usual story is about other children who are especially charming or witty; and the precious listener must sit and envy his bright story-boy and wonder if he too could ever be put into a story. The bulk of all so-called child literature carries a blanket to cover and chill the faculties, and often worse than that—plants a craving for sensationalism which is unsatisfiable, and which, the usual author and publisher are only too glad to foster if parents are blind enough to help them. What we call a pure kindergarten story draws out the child himself, uncovers his latent wonderment and imagination, shows him how every truth contained in a certain phase of life or science (to which he is listening), is unfolded over and overagain in a myriad different ways, every thing he touches prophesies a story if he but put the right question to his mother or kindergarten instructor. Each story of to-day has a dozen tendrils, by which it clings to the story of yesterday and suggests an untold wealth of pleasure for to-morrow when story hour comes.

We recommend special books or authors for many reasons, says the Kindergarten Magazine. In the first place, we seek out such authors as have had the actual contact with children and their deeds. One who merely writes for pay because some publisher thinks she has a graceful pen and her stories take, is hardly a producer of such intellectual food as is to form the lasting taste of the coming generation. One might almost be forgiven in saying "When you hear of anyone spoken of as an author for children, let suspicion overcome you; such are mostly a delusion and a snare and mere diluters of language."

Of bible stories the same may be said, look out for their interpreter. Children do not need their truths diluted. They can take them stronger than even one who has grown away from the simple and real. It is a much better plan to read the Christ story directly with the children and have little talks together concerning those passages which seem obscure. And pray let us beg of you never to draw the moralistic conclusion for the babes, lest they learn the pratings of the lesson rather than the impressive deeds of their greatest example. Remember, even Christ gave them credit for a greater discernment than ours.

Again this same rule holds good with the classics also. Never fear to give children the direct contact with them. Great are the results, often to an older person who has the patience to carry with him a babe as he perusses perhaps for the twentieth time the rare simplicities of Homer.

After all we must confess that the home reading and atmosphere of thought is of the most importance. Do we always realize that our daily household conversations are largely the first literature of the child? that our every-day reverence is all it knows of religion? that the purity of our love, the righteousness of our common deeds is all it knows of God?

The Vale of Kashmir.

The vale of Kashmir, says a correspondent of the New York Evening Post, is beautiful, but not with the kind of beauty of Lake Rudolf. It has no waterfalls, no palm trees, and but little aspect of gayety. The vale is an ancient lake basin, about seventy miles long by thirty miles wide, included between two mountain ranges. In the city of Srinagar there is a garden of the formal Persian kind, with the peculiar patterns of so many oriental carpets. The best of the gardens was built for Nur Mahal, for whom was also planned the finest piece of architecture, the Taj Mahal, at Agra.

A Valuable Hint.

"What are your qualifications for the position of guard on the L?"

"I can holler 'Thirty-fourth street' so that people will think I say 'City Hall.'"

"But what value has that?"

"They get off at Thirty-fourth street, thinking it's City Hall. They find out their mistake and pay another fare to rectify it."

"You can begin Monday."—Truth.

In Our Boarding House.

Honora—Oh, missis, Mr. Vanderwater has hung himself to the chinelelier, all his eyes do be stickin out like tayspuns."

Chotly Vanderwater, after being cut down by a committee of boarders—What means this wude intrusion? I am prepayed to my neck in high collah, and I do not wish to be interwupted. Go way."

There's Room in Washington.

It is said there is room behind the Olympic range in Western Washington for 8,000 homesteaders, in addition to the 4,000 or 5,000 already settled there. As yet the country is cut off from the outside world, is sparsely settled, and is as much of a wilderness as Kentucky was in the days of Daniel Boone.

PONTIAC PICKINGS.

Miss Maud King of Clarkston has been visiting in town.

H. H. Thatcher and wife visited Detroit last Friday.

Mrs. D. Heath and daughter are home from a visit at Ft. Scott, Kan.

Prof. Phil Bennett of Horton was a guest of Harry Snowden last week.

Joshua Hill of this city made a big purchase of Detroit real estate last week.

A very pleasant pedro party was given by the Misses Pound last week Thursday evening.

Miss Lina Barkham of the E. M. Asylum is spending a few weeks vacation at Commerce.

The May-Reynolds, Wayne county clerkship case is grinding away in the Circuit Court in this city.

About 30 Foresters of this city visited their Birmingham Brothers last Friday evening and had a jolly good time.

Woodard & Pajnes team attached to their delivery wagon ran away last Thursday and dumped a load of groceries in the gutter near the Baptist church.

At the regular convention of Pontiac Lodge, No. 9, K. of P., last Thursday evening, D. D., Joseph E. Sawyer installed the following officers for 1894: C. C., Charles V. Hicks; V. C., S. E. Howlett; M. of W., Jay B. Draper; Prelate, Joshua Hill; M. of F., J. Linabury; M. of E., Geo. Carhart; M. at A., J. V. Richardson; K. of R. and S., E. Halsey; I. G., Jesse Ballard; O. G., Harry D. Jerrard.

Last week Tuesday evening 22 members of Birmingham Lodge, No. 149, K. of P. visited their Brother Knights in this city. The officers of Birmingham Lodge worked the rank of Esquire on Bro. Harry Snowden. "After the lodge was over" all were invited to the dining room to partake of a bountiful supper and listen to some snake and fish stories by Knights Harris, Mitchell, Hoppleton, Johnston and others and Knights Sawyer, Bell and others of Pontiac Lodge.

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WARREN WHISTLINGS.

(Advertised.)

Another cold wave.

Mrs. Charles Davey has been very sick.

Mrs. Cranch is sick with la grippe at F. W. Cartwright's.

Mrs. D. Tanner of Detroit made her parents a short call Friday.

Mr. Joice returned from his visit and will open school Monday.

Miss Jennie Harrington has gone to Pontiac on a visit for a few weeks.

Mr. F. Benedict of Pontiac spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends in Warren.

J. M. Crawford and Mr. Cole will attend the G. A. R. meeting in Detroit, Monday night.

Ned and John Walker go to their new home in Memphis to-morrow, the boys are going to start up a butcher shop and tin shop, we wish them success as they are worthy of it.

Rev. J. Roberts will give a lecture at the M. E. church, Tuesday evening. After the lecture the Epworth League will give a supper in the church, 25c a couple. Bring your friends and come.

PERSONALITIES.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes is widely distancing the biographical gentry, being hard at work on his own memoirs.

A memorial window to General Stonewall Jackson is to be placed in the Presbyterian church at Lexington, Va., of which he was a member.

Queen Victoria's private apartments are hung with a series of paintings representing incidents in her domestic life since the time of her marriage.

By the death of MacMahon, Canrobert is left the only surviving marshal of France. He is in his eighty-fifth year and has held that high military rank since 1856.

Rosa Bonheur says, in defense of her male attire, that she would have missed all chances of success had she had to bear the weight of the skirts in fashion thirty-six years ago.

James Patton, who was one of General Lafayette's body guards when the distinguished general visited this country in 1824, died at New Windsor, New York, recently aged 91 years.

The birth of a son to the princess of Roumania makes the heir to that crown and to the crowns of Germany, Britain, Greece, Hesse and Saxe-Coburg all descendants of Queen Victoria.

Prince Henry of Prussia, a cousin of the Emperor William, is a scholarly, kind-hearted man, and is the only member of the family who is a member of the Social Democratic party. The status is of bronze and was made by George C. Wade, a London sculptor.

Andrew Lang says of the late Professor Jowett that his face always made people think of Socrates, it was so round and full and child like. Though famous as a host, so much so that invitations to his dinner parties were in great demand, he was often silent and not only 'shy himself but the cause of shyness in others.

There was sold lately 100 acres of the old Webster homestead at Marshfield, including the house and library on Black mount. The deeds show that Daniel Webster purchased part of the property in 1844. The Boston woman who bought it was the land coveted it on account of its historical associations, which she wishes to see preserved.

During Joe Jefferson's recent engagement in Philadelphia people who saw the aged actor were struck by his youthfulness, but none so much so as the men now grandfathers whom he amused nearly half a century ago. Mr. Jefferson is fond of the Quaker City, for not only was he born there, but his father and grandfather were actors of repute there before him.

Colonel Edmund Rice, U. S. A., who has been commandant of the Columbian guard at the world's fair, has a military record of distinction. For more than thirty-three years he has been in active service. He enlisted from Massachusetts at the beginning of the war, and was acting as captain when he was only nineteen years old, and before the war was over had risen to the rank of colonel. Colonel Rice's work in organizing the 3,000 raw recruits into the disciplined Columbian guards has been highly commended.

PRAYER WAS ANSWERED.

How a Birmingham Scoffer Was Rebuked.

BIRMINGHAM, Mich., Jan. 3.—"It's a pretty bad year that's just gone," ventured the man on a soap box in the corner, "but it's a purty blue lookout for the year that has just come on dead. I don't believe Providence has anything to do with running things; but goes haphazard like, and I don't believe in sending what little change that was left over from Chicago fair to the Upper Peninsula. Providence and the Upper Peninsula never helped us much," and a wave of wrath spread over the little man's weazened face.

"I don't believe in any church," said the man with a smooth face and brown derby, "but I do know that Providence and the Upper Peninsula did step in and help Capt. John Hamilton out of a tight squeeze right here in Birmingham.

"Everybody in Michigan has heard of Capt. John, 'the fighting parson.' He was sick and the Conference put him on the superannuated list for a year. The captain tried to sell books, but he was so blunt and honest about it that he didn't make a monthly sucess of the book business. He was living in Mr. Middlemis's house and three month's back on Trinity. Rev. Mr. Middlemis, of Wyandotte, was to preach a funeral sermon here next day and the captain was covered with shame because he didn't have the money due for rent. So he went to Moses Taber, who had the renting of the house. 'Mr Taber, Mr. Middlemis will be here to-morrow and I owe him $30 and I haven't sent to pay him with; what'll I do?'

"'You just keep out of sight,' said Moses, and I'll make it all right.

"'That is not my style,' said blunt John, 'I'll see him to-morrow and face the music; in the meantime I'll go home and try what prayer will do.'

"That evening Capt. John got two letters. One was a round robin from four Upper Peninsula blacksmiths. The letter said that they never belonged to his congregation, but liked his style and had heard that he was sick and superannuated. Inclosed were four $5 bills. The other letter was from a member of his flock where he had formerly preached in the western part of this state and contained a money donation of $20. Here was the $50 to pay his rent that came to him as the manna fell from Heaven.

"The fighting parson who never quailed in battle cried like child. Inside of a week he received over $500. When the old captain paid his rent he said, 'who say that prayers are not answered?'

"It seems that a Detroit admirer of the blunt old captain had written all over the state to the different churches where Mr. Hamilton had been stationed and explained his circumstances with the above results. And one peculiar thing about it was that not a dollar of the five hundred was raised in Birmingham."

By this time the soap box in the corner was alone. W. R. in Evening News.

SCHOOL NOTES.

(Edited by the Senior class.)

The editors for the "School Notes," for January are George Ford and Frank Brooks.

Roll of Honor for December will appear next week.

The new course of study will be in the hands of the pupils within a few days. The main changes are as follows: A definite course of rhetoricals marked out below High School. Intellectual arithmetic in Seventh and Eighth Grades. Less English in High School and more history. Reading on English Classics below High School, beginning with Second Grade; so that before pupils enter High School they have read many pages of the best literature the world affords, and this, too, under the direction of their teachers.

The present Senior and Junior classes will graduate under the old course of study, but the Sophomore and Freshmen classes are changing this year from the old to the new.

The banner for attendance and punctuality goes for the fourth time to the Second Grammar Dept.

There have been 324 pupils enrolled during the term of which number 291 were belonging at end of term. There was an average of 285 during the term, the percentage of attendance being 97.77.

Miss McDonald, a former teacher here visited the school two days last week.

Stacy Pringle entered school last Monday morning.

What's the matter of Principal McKee's opinion of the Senior class, especially the boys?

Miss Kellogg visited the school last Monday.

Samuel Hannahs' a slight attack of the measles.

The Senior class is studying Tennyson this term.

Why cannot the laboratory support a dictionary?

Pupils of the High School are raising objections to combining rhetoricals and chapel exercises.

Judson Cummings is very ill at this writing.

At the Lyceum caucus last Thursday afternoon the following officers were elected, The "Conservative Party" Frances Quick, Pres.; Grace Houghton, Vice Pres.; Ira Bruce, Sec.; Emma Allen, Treas. The "Radical Party" Geo. Ford, Pres.; Ella Johnston, Vice Pres.; Wiley Pelton Sec.; Judson Cummings, Treas.

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TROY TWINKLINGS.

Miss Lib Durdle is very sick with pneumonia.

Miss Flora Stiles is home for a short visit; also Miss Minnie Clark.

Mrs. A. J. Burrows and son Ervin have returned from their visit in Ohio. The Presiding Elder will preach at Big Beaver, Sunday, Jan. 14. There will be no preaching at Troy.

Mr. Frank Phelps has started a feed mill in connection with his saw mill and is prepared to grind feed any way to suit customers.

COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

Fred Rulick has been here visiting relatives.

Bert Hawthorn, of Illinois, spent the holidays with his parents.

G. W. Hoard, wife and daughter visited relatives at Mt. Clemens last week.

A horse, while Lee Campbell was riding it, broke its leg while near J. Licht's and had to be killed.

Some peddlers, thought to be full of the pitch-fork near Auctioneer Hunt's, lost a horse and have a badly demoralized wagon.

Troy, we know that J. Davidson had a sale in the fall to pay his rent and other debts, and do not think there was any great amount of surplus cash at the time of his death. We do not think a few dollars will hurt his widow at the present time. If you want to know more particulars our supervisor would probably take pleasure in furnishing them.

A Racking Cough

Cured by Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Mrs. P. D. HALL, 217 Genesee St., Lockport, N. Y., says:

"Over thirty years ago, I remember, hearing my father describe the wonderful cures of his family by Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. During a recent attack of La Grippe, which assumed the form of a catarrh, soreness of the lungs, accompanied by a racking cough, I tried various remedies and prescriptions. While some of these medicines partially alleviated the coughing during the day, none of them afforded me any relief from that dreadful cough. Almost despairing, I would scarcely venture to attempt to lie down at night. After ten or twelve such nights, I was

Nearly in Despair,

and had almost decided to sit up all night if so I could keep from coughing, when my husband suggested that I try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. He took a spoonful of this preparation in a little water, and was able to lie down without coughing. For a few nights, I fell asleep, and awoke in the morning greatly refreshed and feeling much better. I took a teaspoonful of the Pectoral every night for a week, then gradually decreased the dose and in two weeks my cough was cured.

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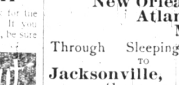

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. At a session of the Probate Court, for said county of Oakland, held at the Probate Office, in the city of Pontiac, on the twelfth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety three. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Albert Sykes, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Jonas Boss, administrator, for the examination and allowance of his final account and the settlement of the estate.

It is ordered that Monday, the 15th day of January next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said petition; and that notice thereof be given to the heirs of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, by causing a copy of this order to be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

THOMAS L. PATTERSON, Judge of Probate.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said county of Oakland, held at the Probate Office, in the city of Pontiac, on the 23rd day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Nancy E. Holman, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Albert Higdon, praying for the probate of an instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased.

It is ordered that Monday, the 29th day of January next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for proving said instrument; and that notice thereof be given by caused to be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

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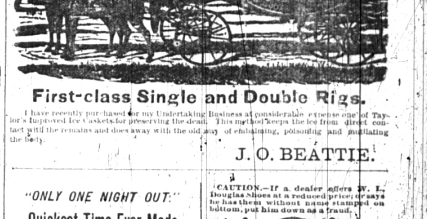

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It is ordered that Monday, the 29th day of January next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for proving said instrument; and that notice thereof be ordered, that a copy of this order be published for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

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It is ordered that Monday, the 29th day of January next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for hearing said petition and allowance of said account; and that notice thereof be given by causing a copy of this order to be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Oakland.

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