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Vici kid, chocolate or black, serge top, $2.00.
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What You can do at Nixon's for Cash!

His store is packed full with new goods for spring trade and he is anxious to show you whether you purchase or not. Give him a chance and see what he can do for you.

53 pairs Ladies' Shoes, former price $1.50 to $3.00, sizes 2½ to 4—they will go at ..... $1.00 pr.

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Just half what the "cellar-worn goods" man asks.

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Our Cream is all cream and here is the place to get it.
We have brooms at the old price yet. They are up, way up.
Fish Poles, warranted to catch fish, 10c.

31 pounds of Crackers,
2 cans of Salmon
10 pounds of Oatmeal,
3 packages of Soda or Sodio,
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1 can of Mushroom,
7 bars of Babbit's or Santa Claus Soap,
4 pounds of Rio Coffee,
3 plugs of Tobacco,

FOR 25C

The best New Orleans Molasses at 40c.
Eggs bought or taken in trade.
Remember I am state agent for the New Telephone and the Detroit Fire and Marine Insurance.

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"Spades Are Trumps"

And W. R. Owen is digging in the best he knows how to make his Crockery Department a success by placing on his counters the finest stock he ever displayed. The prices are right, the goods are up-to-date, and all he wants is that his friends should make themselves happy by carrying away an armful of goods now and then. Yours truly,

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Prices ranging from $1.00 up.

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COUNTY LINE.

John McClure is boring for gas.

The Warren brick yards are running full force.

E. Lyons has gone on a boat this summer.

E. Tharrett recently sold 10 acres of land to Wm. Murthon.

Lewis Brestel and Miss Lydia Stanka were married Sunday last.

Robert Kidd has gone to Cleveland to work in a machine shop.

S. Martin and A. Babcock have sold their fat cattle to Detroit butchers.

Wilson Bros. have put in a new roller process in their mill and will be running soon.

Mrs. Grimm was buried last Monday in Troy cemetery, Rev. Keller officiating. She was 81 years old.

The barns belonging to Mr. Renshaw and Mr. Magan were struck by lightning during the late storm. No serious damage.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Mitchell's White Pine Cough Syrup, the best cough remedy on earth 25 and 50 cents.

ROYAL OAK.

House-cleaning, oh dear, how tired!

The Ladies' Aid met with Mr. and Mrs. Davis Wednesday.

After an illness of two months J. Watch has been laid to rest.

William Porteous is able to drive his milk team after a week's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner entertained friends from Holly over Sunday.

Sorry to say that Miss Florence Wheeler is added to our sick list this week.

Mrs. Peater is very low at the present writing and under the care of Dr. Brown.

It is about time our street commissioner was looking after the sidewalks, the removal of brush heaps, etc.

The little three-year-old son of G. Dondero fell from an upstairs window, a distance of 15 feet, breaking his arm at the wrist and receiving other injuries. We are pleased to say the little one is on the road to recovery.

Decoration Day—May 30—will be observed here. The soldiers, tho' few in number, will be masters of ceremonies, which will begin at 1 p. m. There does not seem to be patriotism enough among our citizens to furnish a chairman for the occasion and the soldiers invite everyone from far and near to be with them. Although we could not assist them in freeing our country we can aid them on this occasion.

AGENT SOLICITORS WANTED EVERYWHERE for "The Story of the Philippines" by Murat Halstead, the best book ever offered as Official Historian to the War Department. The book was written in camp with the Dewey Expedition, on the Pacific with the Army in the Philippines, and in Washington with the American trenches at Manila, by the great editor with Aguinaldo, on the field of battle, in the Philippines, and in Washington. Over 700 pages, 200 illustrations, fine paper, full of original and exclusive matter. Agents are making from $50 to $100 per week. Address quickly, giving your age, and name your first choice of territory, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Harper, Bros., Chicago.

Parsnip Complexion.

It does not require an expert to detect the sufferer from kidney trouble. The hollow cheeks, the sunken eyes, the dark puffy circles under the eyes, the sallow parsnip-colored complexion indicates it.

A physician would ask if you had rheumatism, a dull pain or ache in the back or over the hips, stomach trouble, desire to urinate often, or a burning or scalding in passing it; if after passing there is an unsatisfied feeling as if it must be at once repeated, or if the urine has a brick dust deposit or strong odor.

When these symptoms are present, no time should be lost in removing the cause.

Delay may lead to gravel, catarrh of the bladder, inflammation, causing stoppage, and sometimes requiring the drawing of the urine with instruments, or may run into Bright's Disease, the most dangerous stage of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great discovery of the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, is a positive remedy for such diseases. Its reputation is world-wide and it is so easy to get at any drug store no one need suffer any length of time for want of it.

However, if you prefer to first test its wonderful merits, mention the Birmingham Eccentric and write to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle and booklet telling all about it, both sent absolutely free by mail.

In Memoriam.

Words dedicated to the death of Hiel Deuell Rockwell, who departed this life Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1899:

His school days are ended,
His life-work is done,
It was not a finished,
It was not half done.
You will listen for the footsteps
That will never, never come,
For the voice that cheered and blessed you
Echoes in another home.

He has gone to be with Jesus,
All this world cannot compare
With one day spent in that city,
With the angels over there.
Earthly flowers bloom and perish,
Young grow old and time goes on—
He will be the same forever,
There no changes ever come.

Could he speak to you, dear father,
I think to you he would say:
"It was my mother's voice
I heard when called away."
To her all Heaven was not complete,
Until her Deuell came,
And now that I am with her,
We often speak your name.

And, father dear, this life is short,
The time will not be long
Before my darling aunt and you
Will join the happy throng.
Toil not for earthly treasures,
That only rust and waste,
But take some other to your heart
To fill my vacant place.

I would not be forgotten,
Since I have passed away,
I am your son forever,
You will meet me "some sweet day."
Oh schoolmates, dear and many,
I could count them by the score,
You will meet together just the same,
But I can come no more.

I loved this life with all its joy,
With all its strife and haste,
I was looking for the time to come
When I could fill a place.
But that dream I had, dear father,
Before my final sleep,
It was too beautiful to tell,
Too beautiful to keep.

And when the earth is clothed in white,
Or the roses are in bloom,
I shall not feel the cold, father,
For silent is the tomb.
Just plant some flowers above my head,
In the bright warm summer sun,
And trust in Him who doeth well
And say "Thy Will be Done."

BEDDOW.

House-cleaning seems to be the (dis) order of the day at present.

Mrs. Helen Gregg is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jas. Miller.

Remember the Gleaners at Mrs. Volney Miller's next Wednesday afternoon.

Jas. A. Miller jr., has finished his third year at Detroit Medical College.

Rev. Vincent of Detroit and Rev. Maxwell, of Birmingham, assisted Mr. Clark at Communion services observed in the United Presbyterian church here last Sunday.

BEYOND A DOUBT.

This Should Encourage Any Person to Try It.

Result of recent experience with Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer which establishes beyond question the superiority of this treatment over all other remedies, for the permanent cure of all stomach and nerve troubles.

"To Whom it May Concern:

"Messrs. Drake & Rhodes:—I thought I would write a few lines to let you know that your medicine is helping me very much. I think if I were young I would improve much faster. You can quote me as saying, 'Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer is certainly a good medicine.'

"Very respectfully yours,
"Mrs. T. R. Roberts.
"Leslie, Mich."

"Messrs. Drake & Rhodes,
Kendallville, Ind.,

"Dear Sirs:—I have been using your Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer every day according to directions for two weeks, and while I am not cured, I am ready to confess that of all remedies that I have used, the effects of your tablets have been superior to all other remedies, and shall continue the use of the same in the future.

"Very truly,
"John Haas, City Treasurer."

"To Whom It May Concern:—I have been troubled with dyspepsia and nerve trouble for the past four years, and have used many remedies without lasting benefit. Six weeks ago I was induced to try Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer, which has benefitted me more for the length of time I have used it than any remedy before tried. Respectfully,

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Late teacher in public schools of Quincy, Mich.

A valuable book on stomach and nerve troubles, their symptoms and cure, free. Inquire of F. Hagerman.

THE STAGE.

AT THE LYCEUM.

"Mr. Cummings has chosen the two plays in which he made his first Detroit success at the Lyceum as his offering for the sixth week of his present season. The first half of the week was devoted to Henry Guy Carleton's comedy, "A Gilded Fool," and the remainder of the week is devoted to "Capt. Swift," C. Haddon Chambers' story of English high life, a winner. In the voting slips for the selection of plays which were in vogue at the commencement of Mr. Cummings' present engagement these two plays were favorites, and the great success of last spring decided the management in the present production.

AT WHITNEY'S.

"Lost in New York" is being revived at Whitney's this week. It is not unfamiliar to local theatre-goers, and it has enjoyed a long lease of life in which prosperity has figured to an appreciable extent. For two years past it has been playing in England. The plot deals with the not uncommon theme of the pursuit of wealth. The play is a mixture in which comedy alternates with pathos. It abounds in dramatic situations and the interest is quickly developed and admirably sustained. The company is said to be of uniform excellence.

Chicago women are agitating against the use of pictures of women as advertisements, and the women in the movement have provided the newspapers with their portraits.

A small boy, writing a composition on Quakers, wound up by saying that the Quakers never quarrel, never get into a fight, never claw each other, and never "jaw back." He added, "Pa is a Quaker, but I really don't think that ma is."

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

Experiments to reproduce dead men's features from their skulls are being made in Germany.

It is estimated that at the present rate of growth London, which now has a population of 5,657,000, will, in 1941, have over 13,000,000.

Women students at the university of Berlin are not allowed to wear their hair in braids down their back. Two girl students who persisted in doing this were expelled.

The name of Shakespeare does not appear in the nomenclature of the United States, whereas nearly every other prominent author is immortalized in a town or country name.

The origin of the modern circus dates back to about 1770, when Philip Astley, a discharged soldier, gave exhibitions of horsemanship in an improvised ring at Lambeth.

There is one portion of the human body which continues to increase in size throughout life, and does not cease with the attainment of maturity. This is the crystalline lens of the eye.

Marriage in Spain takes place by day or at night, according to the fortune of the young people or their station in life. If well-to-do, the ceremony comes off in the early part of the morning.

Remarkable Rescue

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine would cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefitted from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles found herself sound and well; now does her own housework and as she says as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this great Discovery at Whitehead & Mitchell's drug store. Large bottles 50 cents and $1.00

ASK YOUR DOCTOR!

Ask your physician this question, "What is the one great remedy for consumption?" He will answer, "Cod-liver oil." Nine out of ten will answer the same way.

Yet when persons have consumption they loathe all fatty foods, yet fat is necessary for their recovery and they cannot take plain cod-liver oil. The plain oil disturbs the stomach and takes away the appetite. The disagreeable fishy odor and taste make it almost unendurable. What is to be done?

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New Varieties of Corn.

We believe the ordinary farmer should give a good deal of thought to the varieties of corn he grows, and that it will pay him to experiment in a small way with new varieties, says Wallace's Farmer. After some experience he will be able to cross intelligently for a special purpose from year to year and get about what he wants. Corn originally was a semi-tropical product, coming, we believe, from Mexico. It has been growing in a wide range of climate, and has developed a great number of varieties. In fact, it is more variable than any other grain, varying not merely with the climate, but with the soil, and in selecting seed corn it is not safe to reach over a wide range of latitude. If you do, the corn will be confused, so to speak, and not know how long to grow nor when to ripen and get in out of the way of frost. The farmer who is selecting seed corn with the idea of grain production should select the variety that will grow him the greatest amount of grain, large ears, and as many of them as possible. The farmer who is growing corn to feed cattle in the shock should aim to grow the greatest total amount of food, which he will find in a large number of medium-sized ears and a finer quality of fodder—the result of thicker planting than is justifiable when growing exclusively for the grain. The farmer who grows corn for summer feed for stock should select a corn that is early and has a large amount of leaves like the Evergreens, and so on to the end of the type that will produce him the largest amount and get in out of the way of frost. It should, therefore, not be an early variety such as the Northern grown varieties are likely to be, nor yet a late one like the large corn from the South. We think our readers will see the point in this at a glance, and it should govern them in determining on the varieties of corn to plant this year. One thing we urge especially, that they look out for their seed corn early, as in large sections of the country the seed is hopelessly damaged.

An Immediate and Permanent Pasture.

Wallace's Farmer: Mr. Frank Seckler, of Iroquois county, Illinois, writes us that he has a farm in Harrison county, Iowa, on the Missouri river bottom, that he has no pasture on same, and that he wants one right away that will become permanent later on. The land is now in wheat stubble and he wishes to know what to do. We would first burn off the wheat stubble, then plow the land rather deep, say five or six inches and turn the weed seeds under. We would then sow a mixture of oats, barley, spring wheat and winter rye, taking about one-fourth of what would be a proper sowing of each, and at the same time sow six or eight pounds of timothy, four pounds of mammoth clover, four pounds of common red. And if the land is inclined to be wet a pound or two of alsike, and give these the same covering that would ordinarily be given the grains. We would then sow seven pounds of blue grass, mixing it with sand or sawdust, so as to get an even distribution, and harrow this in with a light smoothing harrow. As soon as the grains will furnish a full bite, we would pasture and continue pasturing until harvest time. The pasturing will keep down the grains and give the grasses a chance, and with an ordinary season you should have a fine stand of clover when the grains are done. We would then turn off the stock until about September. If even then a half stand of blue grass is obtained it will thicken up as fast as the clovers go out. This is rather full seeding, but we presume our correspondent wants a pasture that is worth something, and this is the shortest and easiest way to get it.

Millet and Oats.

Millet should unquestionably be looked upon as a staple crop in the Northwest, says the Farmer. It is one of our most certain and reliable crops. We can sow it somewhat later in the season, much after the fashion of a "catch crop," and when sown in time we are reasonably sure of a catch of the seed. Some persons are now sowing a peck of oats along with two pecks of millet per acre. From the combination a larger amount of crop can be obtained than by growing millet alone. The oats will reach that stage when the grain is fully formed by the time that the millet is ready to be cut. And the mixture makes a valuable amount of nutritious food. It would seem to be a law of plant growth that more will be retained by the soil where a suitable combination of plants is grown than where only one kind is produced. Mr. E. D. Childs of Crookston, one of the most extensive dairymen in the Red River Valley, has practiced growing millet and oats thus for some time, and is pleased with the results. The one crop would seem, as it were, to be the complement of the other.

Home Market for Strawberries.—In the growing of strawberries in a small way it is very essential to have a good home market, where the berries can be delivered fresh from the farm and thereby secure an extra price on account of their fresh and palatable condition. There is an opportunity to develop this market and largely increase the home demand for berries if good treatment is given customers and wise action taken in the various parts of the business. A correspondent of an exchange lays down the following rules in this matter, which we earnestly commend to the attention of all growers of berries for the home market: 1. Never sell any except fresh berries. 2. Give honest measure. 3. Use care in grading your berries. The kind of pickers you employ will often decide whether you will keep or lose a customer.—Ex.

Potatoes on Rye Sod.—A potato-grower gives out the following, which may be worth trying: "To those who have trouble with potatoes getting weedy through the summer, I will say: If you sowed a piece of rye this fall, plow up enough of it for your potato ground next spring, and you will neither be troubled with weeds nor bugs."—Ex.

One Objection to Corn.—One of the reasons why corn is a bad feed for fowl is that the grain is large, and if shelled and thrown out by handfuls the fowl eat much too fast, and secure too much for their good.—Maine Farmer.

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