

Lecturing at Berlin, Prof. Von Haanmann scouted the idea that cancer is on the increase.

The queen of Holland has given 500,000 francs for the erection of a hospital for crippled children.

A bell weighing no less than 22 tons has been installed in the Church of Coeur Jesus, in Paris. This bell is rung by electricity.

Without losing a single animal, seven shepherds recently drove a flock of 14,000 sheep from Mamuga, in Queensland, to Nabri, in New South Wales, a distance of 900 miles.

According to documents found in the archives of Genoa, the discovery of America by Columbus cost a little over \$7,000. The fleet of Columbus was worth about \$3,000. His salary was \$200 a year.

Paderewski, during his recent season in San Francisco, sold his signature at \$1 each, with a bar or two of music at \$2, toward his share of the fund for the erection of a monument to Chopin in Poland.

In 1899 the government of Russia had 10,234 open stores for retailing spirituous beverages. During the same year 9,203 places were discovered where such liquors were secretly and illicitly sold. This is nearly as many as the number of open government stores.

Wheat flour of domestic manufacture, to the number of 5,583,711 barrels and of the value of \$26,723,461, was exported from this country during the eight months ended February 28, 1905. More than double this quantity, or 13,394,562 barrels, valued at \$53,027,418, was exported during the same period of the preceding year.

The government of Russia is promoting silk culture by distributing silkworm eggs free of charge and sending out teachers to instruct the peasants how to feed and treat the worms. It has also sent teachers from public schools of the southern provinces to the agricultural colleges at Uman and Charkow, where they hear lectures on "Silk Culture."

In 1900 the census showed that there were 86,000 Japanese in this country, as compared with 119,000 Chinese; but while the number of Chinese was declining through the embargo on immigration, the Japanese total was increasing. In 1905 the number of Chinese in the United States is probably 115,000 and that of Japanese 100,000. A large proportion of these Japanese are in Hawaii.

All the vast sums accruing from various forms of taxation in Russia are banked to the credit of two officials named the imperial treasurers, who discharge all the liabilities of the Russian government. The czar has the first call upon the money paid into the imperial treasury, and draws upon it whenever he wishes, by simply directing the treasury officials to lodge so much money to his private account, giving them a voucher for the amount.

The report of the Massachusetts fish and game commissioners (the lobster is "game") shows this condition: "The outcome, the commercial extinction of the lobster, is sure to result as day is to follow night. There has been an increase of pots per man, but falling off in the catch per pot from 33 in 1903 to 28 1/2 in 1905, or a decrease of about 14 per cent. In 13 years there has been a decrease of more than 66 per cent, in the catch of lobsters per pot."

Acetylene gas is the most brilliant and most dangerous. Acetylene is a colorless gas almost as heavy as air, with a characteristic, unpleasant odor which warns of its presence long before the amount of it in the atmosphere reaches the explosion point. It liquefies under a pressure of 380 pounds in a temperature of 32° Fahrenheit and is then the lightest liquid known, its specific gravity being 0.4. Its pressure is said to reach 100,000 pounds per square inch and its temperature 7,200° Fahrenheit during its explosion.

The total number of hogs killed the past year in commercial channels in the west and elsewhere in the United States has been exceeded in a single instance, for the year ending March 1, 1905, the number for the summer season in that year being 1,609,000 greater than for the past summer season, while the record for the winter season now closed exceeds the corresponding period of that year by 116,000. For the past year the total western packing represents 23,918,000 hogs, compared with 22,375,000 for the preceding year.

Only ten men who have held the office of president reached or surpassed Mr. Cleveland's present age of 68; only six exceeded it by so much as ten years, and none exceeded it by twenty years. Only ten presidents have survived their retirement from office longer than Mr. Cleveland, and four of these lived to a great age. Washington, who survived his retirement less than three years, thought himself an old man when he was first made president at the age of 57. John Adams survived his retirement a quarter of a century.

If any man might be pardoned for taking a pessimistic view of humanity and the present social order, it would surely be such a personage as Hon. Rufus B. Cowing, who has been a judge in the criminal courts of New York City for the past 27 years, and at that time has had passed before him an army of not less than 35,000 prisoners accused of all the crimes in the category, from picking pockets to murder. But in a recent interview Judge Cowing declared his conviction that men and women have many, many more of good than evil in them."

NORTH DAKOTA NEWSLETS.

Little Dots and Dashes Picked up Over the State to Amuse and Instruct the Readers.

Trail county will have a fair. Wyndmere will celebrate May 17. There are twelve autos in Cando.

Work has begun on the new hall at Sharon.

A brickyard will be established at Dunselth.

Hazleton is getting a lot of new residents.

A lockup will be erected at Starkweather.

There are 106 'phones in the Westhope exchange.

Nearly all the claims around Crosby have been taken.

Grades are to be established for the streets in Lakota.

New baseball grounds have been laid out at Hannaford.

Norwich voted to issue bonds for a new school building.

There were a number of prairie fires in the Palmero country.

A lot of telephone construction is being done around Sharon.

There is an effort at Flaxton to revive the flour mill project.

There is a renewed agitation for street lamps at Wheatland.

A Harvey wife beater belted when placed in jail at Fessenden.

Sanborn wants a graded school and a school house to cost \$3,000.

Work is progressing on the new telephone exchange at Kenmare.

Mandan has engaged an expert to prepare plans for a water system.

There is a general sentiment in favor of making jail prisoners work.

Sam King got a pot shot at geese near Starkweather, securing eleven.

Work has been stopped on the G. N. survey on the Aneta extension.

Work is to be started on the Kenmare waterworks system early in May.

Wm. McLeod of Lakota was arrested and held on a charge of bootlegging.

The North Dakota Chautauqua will continue only eighteen days this year.

Farmers around Norwich have had several narrow escapes from prairie fires.

The movement to establish a creamery at Napoleon is progressing favorably.

The territory in which prairie fires flourish is gradually growing less each year.

Tioga people expect the Great Northern to build a line north from that town.

Rev. Taylor of Williston lost an eye as a result of being struck with a piece of steel.

A prairie fire destroyed Nathan Honer's barn at Hawk's Nest, Foster county.

Drake blind piggers are up against it. One is in jail and another is still running.

Corn growing by pupils of the schools is the rage this year in several counties.

Nineteen cars of immigration movables have been unloaded at Sheyenne this spring.

Flax will be the crop most generally raised on the Devils Lake reservation this summer.

Deeds to the sites of the fair grounds must be filed before the appropriation is available.

The Minot high school band may play at the Devils Lake Chautauqua this summer.

A lot of McLean county land is to be broken up with the steam plow this summer.

A nice vein of coal was struck at Tago and the fuel problem is solved for that locality.

William Wright, who was sentenced to the pen for Lakota, had filed on a claim near Tioga.

The dog tax collector got busy at Willow City and a lot of canines found themselves ownerless.

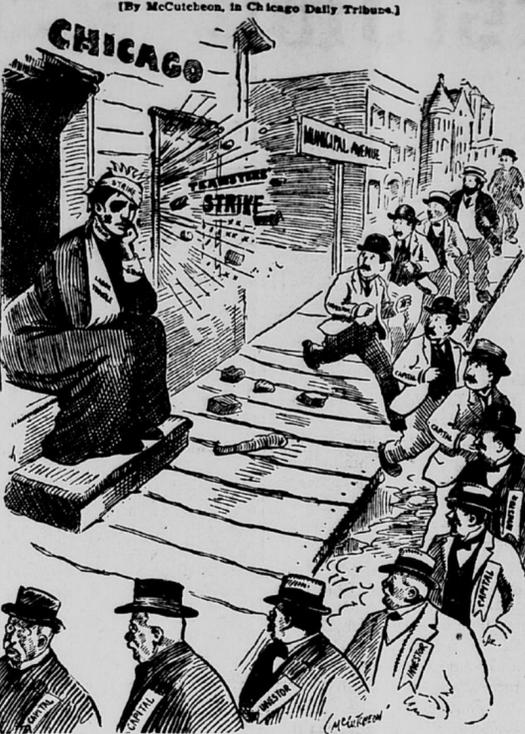
There is talk of a new town along the Great Northern branch between Lansford and Glenburn.

Goose hunters report the birds killed this spring were poor and scrawny and had not fared well down south.

A Lutheran hospital is assured for Fargo. Another will be established in the northwestern part of the state.

The new artesian well at LaMoure has been completed and the people hope for better luck than with the first one.

GETTING A BAD REPUTATION.



JURY DISAGREES.

Fails to Reach a Verdict in the Nan Patterson Case and is Discharged.

New York, May 4.—At 1:30 o'clock this morning the jury in the case of Nan Patterson, tried for the third time on the charge of murdering "Casca" Young, was called into the court room by Recorder Goff. When the 12 men were in their places and the court officials had all arrived, the recorder asked why the defendant had not been brought into court. A deputy sheriff replied that she had been feeling ill and had retired, but was then being dressed. After a wait of 12 minutes, Miss Patterson appeared, looking pale and in a highly nervous state. The usual questions were asked and the foreman announced that the jury was hopelessly disagreed and was unable to return a verdict. The recorder ordered the jury to again retire and consider the matter further, and the 12 men filed out of the room.

VICTIMS OF TORNADO.

Terrific Windstorm in Laredo, Tex., and Vicinity—Twenty-One Lives Lost.

Laredo, Tex., via Bermuda, Tex., May 1.—Twenty-one persons were killed and scores injured in Laredo and New Laredo by a tornado which tore through this vicinity late Friday night. Rumors of others killed in places outside Laredo are heard. The property damage is large. Five of the dead are members of one family, and were employed on the ranch of George Woodman. They were crushed to death by the falling in of the heavy walls of the adobe house which they occupied. The other victims met their fate in a like manner.

FAMOUS SOLDIER DEAD.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee Stricken Away in Washington—Suffers with Apoplexy.

Washington, April 29.—Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia, died at the Providence hospital in this city at 11:20 o'clock Friday night, as the result of an attack of apoplexy and paralysis with which he was stricken early Friday morning while traveling by rail from Boston to Washington.

FALL OF A BUILDING.

Wind Causes Collapse of a Structure at Omaha—Three Men Killed, Six Injured.

Omaha, Neb., May 4.—Three persons were killed and six injured, none fatally, by the collapse of a three-story building at Thirteenth and Grace streets late Wednesday. The building was occupied by the Omaha Casket company and the killed and injured were, with one exception, employees of the concern. The dead are: Jacob Kirschner, 43, assistant shipping clerk; L. Mon Martin, a collector, aged 22; Henry Dietl, aged 40, foreman.

BOWEN IS ORDERED HOME.

Washington, May 1.—Secretary Taft Saturday received instructions from the president to call Minister Bowen, now at Caracas, to Washington; also, to send Mr. Russell, now minister to Colombia, to Caracas, and Mr. Barrett, now minister at Panama, to Colombia. It is stated that if Mr. Bowen's action relative to the charges against Assistant Secretary Loomis are not subject to criticism, it is the president's purpose to send him as minister to Chili and then probably as ambassador to Brazil.

JEFFRIES TO QUIT PUGILISM.

Cincinnati, May 3.—James J. Jeffries, champion heavy weight pugilist, will retire from the prize ring and from the stage, and go into business with his brother Jack, in California, according to a statement made by him to the Times Star. He will leave the stage on May 15, arrangements having been made to cancel all engagements after that date. Jeffries takes this action at the request of the president of the National Association of pugilists who do not pay.

WILL HEAD NEW ORGANIZATION.

Terre Haute, Ind., May 4.—Eugene V. Debs confirms the report that he is to head the industrial union, a new labor organization which will be launched next week in Chicago. The organization will be a rival of the American Federation of Labor. Mr. Debs declined to discuss it.

BOILER PLANT BURNED.

Springfield, Ill., May 4.—The plant of the Springfield Boiler Manufacturing company burned Wednesday. Loss about \$300,000, well covered by insurance.

SEEKING TO MAKE PEACE.

London, May 3.—The Tokio correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "The diplomatic representative of one of the great powers closely connected with the war, states that it is undeniably true that President Roosevelt is endeavoring to make peace as soon as possible."

LOCAL OPTION LAW UPHOLD.

Columbus, O., May 3.—The state supreme court Tuesday upheld the constitutionality of the Brannock district local option law in the test case of Mayor Jeffrey of Columbus, vs. City Solicitor Butler.

DAMAGE BY HIGH WATER.

Houston, Tex., May 3.—The Brazos river is flooding the bottom lands all along the valley from Hearn, south to Richmond, and rising slowly at the latter place. The water is a foot and a half deep in the town of Columbia, near the mouth and has spread over a considerable area of farm lands. The damage is greatly lessened by the warning which enabled farmers to get their stock out, but the loss to cotton and corn will amount to many thousands of dollars.

TO ERECT BIG PLANT.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 3.—It is learned that a syndicate of Pittsburg capitalists have secured 250 acres of ground at Ambridge, upon which will be erected at \$3,000,000 a plant for the building of railroad coaches and street cars.

DAMAGES AWARDED.

Detroit, Mich., May 4.—Anthony Kaminsky has been given a judgment for \$2,000 against the Grand Lodge, Knights of the Modern Maccabees, in the circuit court here for injuries which he alleged he sustained while being initiated into the organization.

BOY KILLED BY PLAYMATE.

New York, May 4.—During a mimic wild west show in the Flatbush Boys' club of Brooklyn, John Hines, 16 years old, was accidentally shot by a playmate of 14. Hines died in his mother's arms a few hours later.

SUGAR FACTORY BURNED.

Minneapolis, Minn., May 3.—Late Tuesday afternoon the plant of the sugar beet factory at St. Louis Park, a suburb several miles west of Minneapolis, was entirely destroyed by fire. The plant, it is said, represents an investment of \$250,000.

ACCEPTS THE PLACE.

Ottawa, Kan., May 3.—Dr. J. D. S. Riggs, president of Ottawa university, announced on Tuesday his acceptance of the presidency of Shurtleiff college, Alton, Ill., which was offered him last week.

SLAUGHTER IN WARSAW.

Over Sixty Persons Killed and Many Wounded in May Day Riots in Russia.

Warsaw, May 3.—The May day death roll totaled 62, including ten persons who died in the hospitals during the night. Probably 200 were wounded. Crowds gathered at the Tenth district police station Tuesday morning, where 30 victims, men and women and three children were awaiting identification. The troops apparently were uncontrollable and violated all orders to act with moderation. They fired into crowds of demonstrators, and workmen in retaliation resorted to the use of firearms and bombs.

The first disturbances occurred between one and two o'clock p. m., when a procession of several thousand workmen, carrying red flags, marched along Zelazna street. The demonstration was quite orderly and proceeded without molestation for some distance. Suddenly several squadrons of cavalry and infantry charged into the procession, driving it with the flat of their swords into a disorganized mass. When the cavalry withdrew the infantry fired a volley, whereupon the demonstrators turned and fled. The infantry continued to discharge volleys into the retreating, shrieking multitude. Thirty-one persons were killed and many wounded, and of the latter it is believed that 15 will die. The shooting is described as having been quite unprovoked.

Another terrible scene was enacted at five o'clock p. m., at the corner of Ziota and Sosnowa streets, when workmen fired from behind a wall at a patrol, which immediately opened fire on the passing crowd, killing or wounding 20 persons.

The first bomb throwing occurred at 9:35 o'clock at night, when a bomb was thrown into a Cossack patrol near the Vienna station. Three Cossacks and one policeman were killed and two women who were leaving the station at the time were severely wounded by the explosion of the bomb. Cossacks and infantry fired a number of volleys, and it is reported that many persons were killed or wounded.

The city was apparently outwardly quiet Tuesday morning, but the situation is none the less grave. The committee of the social democratic party of Poland and Lithuania has issued a manifesto proclaiming a general strike and calling out all the workmen immediately in consequence of Monday's bloodshed.

MISSING CASHIER ARRESTED.

Henry G. Goll, of Milwaukee, Implicated in Recent Embezzlement, Caught in Chicago.

Milwaukee, May 4.—Henry G. Goll, the former assistant cashier of the First National bank of this city, charged with embezzlement, who was arrested in Chicago Wednesday by Detective Dennis Sullivan, of this city, was brought back to Milwaukee at nine o'clock Wednesday night and is now locked up at the Central police station. When searched Goll had but \$26 on his person. He refused absolutely to answer any questions and would not go even so far as to tell his age upon being booked.

CHAUNCEY DEWEY IS FREE.

Norton, Kan., May 4.—The celebrated case of Chauncey Dewey, a millionaire ranchman, and Clyde Wilson and A. J. McBride, cowboys employed by Dewey, who were charged with killing two members of the Berry family, neighboring ranchmen, in northwestern Kansas, has been ended in the district court here when the judge dismissed the defendants without trial.

COAL DEALERS INDICTED.

Cleveland, O., May 1.—The county grand jury Saturday returned indictments against 11 members of the executive committee of the Cleveland Retail Coal Dealers' association, known as the local coal trust.

BANK ROBBERED.

Woodburn, Ore., May 4.—The bank of Woodburn was robbed of \$2,000 Wednesday afternoon by two masked robbers, who covered Cashier Tracy Poorman and the bookkeeper, Miss Gertrude Eddy, with revolvers. One robber stood guard while the other rifled the cash drawer.

MANY PRISONERS RELEASED.

Caracas, Venezuela, May 4.—Vice President Gomez, who is acting president during the absence of President Castro, has released 24 political prisoners.

NO MORE "TIPS" IN WISCONSIN.

Milwaukee, May 2.—No tips can be given in Wisconsin. The anti-graft bill recently passed by the legislature has been signed by Gov. La Follette and no gratuities of any kind can be given to employees of any firm by outsiders without danger of arrest and fine.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

Washington, May 2.—The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business April 30, 1905, the total debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$97,217,941, which is an increase for the month of \$8,593,384.

DEMAND STATE AID.

Chicago Employers Want Gov. Deneen to Send Troops to Quell Strike.

Chicago, May 4.—Running battles, in which scores of shots were fired, thousands of bricks, bottles and chunks of coal thrown, hundreds of hickory clubs swung and knives drawn, forced both the employers and Mayor Dunne Wednesday to take heroic action looking to a cessation of hostilities. The business men decided upon an appeal to Gov. Charles S. Deneen to order out the troops and the mayor prepared a request to Sheriff Barrett to swear in probably 2,000 additional deputy sheriffs to supplement the efforts of the police.

Chicago, May 2.—An injunction, sweeping and direct in its nature, was granted Friday by Judge Kohlsaat, of the United States circuit court, against all labor unions and others, restraining them from interfering in any way with the operations of the Employers' Teaming company. This action places the federal government. One hundred defendants are specifically named in the writ, including the teamsters' joint council. The order is a temporary one, returnable May 10, when the labor people will be called upon to show why it should not be made permanent.

Chicago, May 1.—The strike extended its tentacles Saturday, violence in the streets of the city, and employers and union men through their boards of strategy planned relentless campaigns, while civic officials and committees representing the general public made tentative moves looking to the restoration of peace. Twelve indictments against labor leaders in connection with the Montgomery Ward & Co. strike were returned by the Cook county grand jury in its final report to Judge McEwen Saturday. The men indicted include the international president of the teamsters union, the president of the Chicago Federation of Labor and officials of practically all of the local unions of teamsters.

Glenwood Springs, Col., May 2.—President Roosevelt has agreed to give the Chicago striking teamsters an opportunity to present their petition when he reaches that city on May 10. Word reached the president in his camp on West Divide creek that the strikers are preparing to ask him to use his influence in their behalf similarly to the manner in which he adjudicated the anthracite strike three years ago. He has given the strikers no encouragement other than agreeing to receive a delegation from the petitioners. The president cannot give consideration to the petition until he reaches Washington.

ROB VILLAGE BANK.

Safe of Institution at Gilbertsville, N. Y., Blown Open—Between \$5,000 and \$10,000 Stolen.

Oneonta, N. Y., May 3.—A band of masked robbers rode into the village of Gilbertsville, about 18 miles from here, at three o'clock Tuesday morning, blew open the modern and supposedly burglar proof safe in the private bank of E. C. Brewer, and made good their escape with booty estimated at between \$5,000 and \$10,000. When the startled villagers were awakened by the muffled roar of the explosion and had been halted by the pistol fire of the retreating bandits, they found that the robbers had completely isolated Gilbertsville from the outside world by cutting all the telegraph and telephone wires. Efforts to communicate with neighboring towns were futile and when the village folk finally started in pursuit the robbers had gained a lead which could not be overcome.

SIX LOST AT SEA.

Pensacola, Fla., May 4.—Fishing vessels arriving here report that the fishing schooner Florida was lost in a hurricane, near Campeche banks, about ten days ago and that the entire crew of six men went down with the vessel. The schooner was owned by E. E. Saunders & Co., of this city. Some of the fishermen of other vessels saw a big sea strike the Florida and she went down.

BRIBE-TAKERS SENTENCED.

Grand Rapids, Mich., May 1.—Carey P. Bisell, John T. Donovan, Adrian Schriver and Ryner Stonehouse, former city officials, who had pleaded guilty to accepting bribes in connection with the Lake Michigan water scandal, were fined in sums ranging from \$100 to \$500 by Judge Newham as his last act before retiring from the bench. All the men paid their fines.

MISSING BOY FOUND.

Norfolk, Va., May 4.—Leo Fleischman, alias Farrell, a 17-year-old boy, who has been missing from his home in New York for nearly a year, and for whom there is a standing reward of \$1,000, was found Wednesday afternoon aboard the United States receiving ship Franklin by Detective Connor, of the local police department. Fleischman, who at first denied his identity, finally admitted that he is the party for whom the police of nearly every city in the country have been searching.

PASS GAS BILL.

Springfield, Ill., May 3.—The house Tuesday passed the Church gas "regulator" bill giving municipalities of the state power to fix the price of gas and electricity, with a three-year limit on the price when once fixed. The bill will be rushed to the senate.

BALL PLAYER KILLED.

Dewitt, Ark., May 2.—Jesse Strode, 22 years old, was instantly killed during a ball game at the town of Gillette, this county. He was at bat and was struck just above the heart by a pitched ball. He fell to the ground and expired.

A VOICE FROM THE PULPIT.

Rev. Jacob D. Van Doren, of 47 Sixth street, Fond Du Lac, Wis., Presbyterian clergyman, says: "I had attacks of kidney disorders which kept me in the house for days at a time, unable to do anything. What I suffered can hardly be told. Complications set in, the particulars of which I will be pleased to give in a personal interview to any one who requires information. This I can conscientiously say, Doan's Kidney Pills caused a general improvement in my health. They brought great relief by lessening the pain and correcting the action of the kidney secretions. Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all druggists. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y."

INDIAN HEAD, N. W. T., JAN. 20, 1904.

Immigration Branch, Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Canada: Am sending you the return of two fields of wheat grown on my home farm last year. These returns are perfectly accurate, and not over estimated.

I summer-fallow about one-third of my farm every year, and afterward take off two crops and summer-fallow again. The summer-fallow is ploughed twice during the summer, first shallow afterwards deep and no weed allowed to grow. The stubble is left as long as possible when cutting the first crop, and is burned the following spring, drilled directly afterwards, and harrowed after drilling. This gives much better result than fall ploughing.

Field No. 1. Quarter-section fallowed 1903, yield 37 bushels per acre. This wheat is netting at present time 88c per bushel.

Table with 2 columns: Quantity and Price. For 37 bushels... \$32.56. Cost of summer fallowing in 1903... \$4.20. Seed wheat and seeding... 1.50. Harvesting... .65. Threshing (owner's machine)... .74. Hauling to elevators at 2c per bu... .74. Per Per acre, etc. \$7.63.

Profit after allowing expenses... \$24.93. Field No. 2. Stubble field, 80 acres. Have sold the wheat at 88c per bushel.

Table with 2 columns: Quantity and Price. Yield per acre 25 bushels... \$22.00. Cost: Seed wheat and seeding... \$1.50. Cutting, stocking... .65. Threshing (owner's machine)... .50. 2c per bu... .50. Hauling to elevator, 2c per bu... .50. Per Per acre, etc. \$3.15.

Profit after expenses... \$18.85. Profit from one ploughing... \$43.78. I am sending you the yield of these two fields which are both in my home farm. I thought they might be interesting reading for you. Had 19,500 bushels of wheat on my different farms, and between 5,000 and 6,000 of oats and barley. I remain,

Yours very truly, (Signed) ALFRED WILSON.

Agents of the government will be pleased to give full information as to rates, etc.

PRACTICAL GIRL'S IDEAS.

"Why do you waste so many hours on beautifying devices?" inquired the old-fashioned woman. "Why not devote that time, to thinking beautiful thoughts?" "Oh, fudge!" retorted the modern damsel. "My heart isn't a mind reader." —Louisville Courier-Journal.

HOW A WOMAN MADE A SUCCESS OF THE HOME VEGETABLE GARDEN.

Theory is the foundation, experience the finished structure. Garden books as a rule run to the theoretical side and it is up to each one of us to buy the seed and accumulate the experience, oftentimes a most expensive proposition, especially in the vegetable garden; hence when a book appears that is practical and written by an amateur who can and does raise each year all the vegetables for the home table, it is bound to receive a warm welcome.

"How to Make a Vegetable Garden," by Edith Loring Fullerton, is a new book just published by Doubleday, Page & Co., New York City, at \$2.00. It has over 350 pages and is profusely illustrated by half-tone reproductions of photographs taken especially for this book, which covers all phases of gardening—the breaking of the soil, fertilization, planting, growth, cultivation and even the preparation for the table, each vegetable story covering the housewife's end of it by means of recipes for cooking and serving.

Every portion of the book is thoroughly practical, being the story of personal experience from beginning to end. A very ingenious table is added, giving planting time, depth to plant, date of maturity and many most helpful hints.

SAME EFFECT.

Jack—What's the matter with you? Love? George—No; only the grip.—N. Y. Weekly.

AGAINST RATE REDUCTION.

Atlanta, Ga.—The recent proposition of J. Pope Brown, chairman of the Georgia railroad commission, to reduce the passenger rate in Georgia from three to two cents per mile was protested against by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Order of Railway Conductors, and unions of the blacksmiths, machinists and telegrapher, boiler-makers, railway trainmen, carpenters and joiners, clerks and carmen. These organizations employed an attorney especially to represent them, who urged that such a reduction would work against the prosperity of the state and lead to a reduction in the number of railroad employees as well as of their wages. The Travelers' Protective association also protested that a reduction as proposed would result in few trains and poor service.