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Recitations and Readings, a large

New York was in the throes of hard times. Working people were in distress, and rich people complained that stocks were worth

nothing, and there was no investment for their money. To be sure, there was always the chance that presents itself of laying up their treasures in heaven, but somehow rich people have never regarded that prospect of getting their money back as a good one, and they have never "caught on" to tha

movement to any extent. But now times are good again, judging by the way the wealthy hereabouts are parting with their money. They are throwing it away on objects which to plain, honest people seem like the veriest trash.

There for instance is that scruffy-looking, mule-nozed, blazed-faced, little 3-year-old filly Dew Drop. The Dwyer Brothers have just bought her from Pierre Lorillard for \$29,000. She is a racing creature, a running beast.

as 1 can get from the ngures at my commany, \$3,800,000 for this purpose. And for this great, thundering heap of wealth there re-mains to show chieffy the peachblow vase. (You should call it "vaz," to rhyme with "was;" but some call it "vaws," to rhyme with "cews")

"was; but some can be taken to the some can be with "caws.") Mrs. Morgan paid her money for it and called it what she liked. It is of a dull gray-ish pink color, is eight inches high and three inches across. It is a smooth, brightly glazed piece of pottery enough, rather pretty looking: but Mrs. Mary CALLEY/

sane Morgan paid \$15,000 for it, cold money. What do you think of that? When her collection was auctioned off a few days ago Mr. W. T. Walters, of Baltimore, bought the thing and paid \$18,000. What do you think of that still more? It is probable now that peachblow pot-tery will become the fashion. Mrs. Morgan's \$15,000 vase belongs to what is called the

Kang-he period of Chinese pottery. It is about 200 years

old, more or less.

THE PEACHBLOW VASE. Other vases the same color were sold for from \$5,000 to \$8,000 apiece. One, whose mate went for \$5,100, had a handle knocked off and sold for \$3,000, making the lost handle worth \$2,100.

The whole art collection, however, is worth nothing like what the lady paid for it. It is a monument of nothing so much as the avarice and dishonesty of tradesmen. It is a miserable mean sort of excuse for such people to say if they had not got her money somebody else would have. The good woman was fleeced right and left. A Pres-byterian preacher named Conkling is supposed to have got about \$600,000 out of her. Among the collection was a vast number of rare and costly orchids. She paid \$200,000 for them, while they were worth only 10 per cent. of it.

The whole story is remarkable. Charles Morgan scrimped and toiled and schemed and lived like a beggar most of his life to heap up millions. After his death fate in grim irony, took the millions and tossed them on the wind like thistledown. And of them all it does not appear that one dollar ever went for the real good of anybody.

THE NEW PRESIDENT OF SOROSIS.

Successful Farmer. [Special Correspondence.]

PHILADELPHIA, March 16 .- At the annual election day in March, Sorosis, the famous ladies' club of New York, departed from its usual custom and changed its president. Jenny June Croly had been the graceful and efficient presiding officer for ten years pre-vious. Sorosis clings to good officers when it finds them.

The lady who takes Mrs. Croly's place is Mrs. M. Louise Thomas. She is one whom it is richly worth while to know about.

She is a fine, dignified-looking woman, with dark hair and eyes. She looks about 50 year of age

When asked for a sketch of her life, Mrs. Thomas replied: "I never did anything worth telling, and I

never wrote anything worth read-That is a fact. I have tried to do both, to be faithful, and I know I am industrious and persevering, and love animals and nature and humanity; but, now, is one going to dissect one's self and lay all this before the world?" HowSPECIAL INDUCEMENTS

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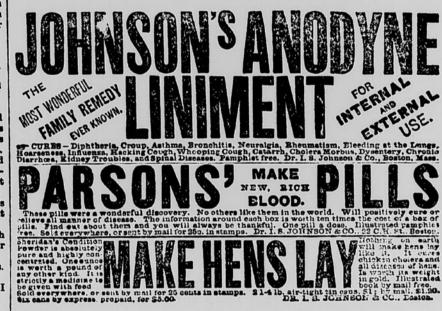
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Notice of First Proof—Land Office at Fargo, D. T., Mar. 17, 1886. Complaint having been en-tered at this office by Hans H. Olson against Franklin M. Warford, failure to comply with hav as to timber culture entry No. 6.563 dated March 9, 1882, upon the nw ½ of section 28, twp. 148n, range 59 w, in Griggs county Dakola, with an alleging that the said Franklin A. Warford has failed to plant er cause to be planted to trees, tree seeds, roots, nuts, or cuttings, five acres of said entry; and that he has wholly failed to plant or cause to be hanted to trees, tree seeds, roots nuts or cuttings the five acres of said tract required to be planted during the fourth year after of said entry; which said failure as above set forth, exists at the date of the initiation of this context the said parties are hereby summored to sppear at this offee on the 13th day of May 1966, at 10 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish teetimory concerning said alleged failure. 11-16 HORACE AUSTIN, Register.



DEW DROP. If you would like to know what she did to

make her worth \$29,000, here it is in horse talk:

Dew Drop ran in all ten races last year, leading off by winning a five-furlong sweep-stakes, at Sheepshead Bay, in June. She was in turn unplaced for the Surf and Seabright stakes, second to Charity for the Flatbush, won the Great Eastern handi ap, at threequarters of a mile, from a field of twentyone runners, carrying 110 pounds, in 1:16%: was unplaced, with 117 pounds, to Walter H. for the Adieu stakes, at the same distance, after which she in turn won the Nursery and Champagne stakes, both at three-quarters of a mile, at Jerome Park, the former with 113 pounds, in 1:18%, and the latter with 122 pounds in the same time. At Baltimore, Dew Drop in turn took the Central and Ecliptic stakes, both at a mile, running the

latter in 1:44%. Is that satisfactory? Dew Drop is, as you

Contest—Fargo D. T., March 16, 1886. Complaint having been entered at this office by Hannah M. Thomson against Ebenezer D. Riggs for failed to plan the northesized and fixed. It is said, as ever pinched guarter section 32, township 148, range 58, in Griggs connty, D. T., with a view to the cancella-tion of said entry. Contestnat alleging that said Risenezer D. Riggs has wholly failed to plant or canse to be planted five acres of said tract or any part thereof into trees, 'ree seeds, roots, nuts, or cattings, during the 3rd year after date of his seid ency and parties are hereby summoned to appear to appear at this Office on the 13 day of May 1892, the said parties are hereby summoned to appear to appear at this Office on the 13 day of May 1892. Then his wealth mounted into the millions. E. C. GEAREY, Receiver Isthmus of Panama during the gold fever

ever, Mrs. Car-oline A. Soule, a MRS. M. L. THOMAS.

friend of this strong, gentle woman, has written an admirable sketch of her, from which I have gathered a few facts. She quite underrates herself in saying she never did anything worth while. Mrs. Thomas is best known to a large circle as a successful beekeeper. Her husband, Rev. Abel C. Thomas, was a minister of the Universalist denomina tion, and she herself is a forceful and interesting speaker and enthusiastic worker among the Universalists.

Mrs. Thomas accompanied her husband and shared his toils and fortunes in many fields of labor. During the war she worked unceasingly for the sick and wounded soldiers in the hospitals of this city. In this time she wrote thousands of letters for them with her own hand. The close of the war found both herself and her husband broken in health. They retired to a farm, hoping to find in country life a fountain of reinvigoration. They finally bought a farm at Tacony on the Delaware, just above this city. Here a living had to be made, and made off the land.

Mrs. Thomas set herself to this task. She made the acquaintance of her neighbors, examined their crops, their flocks and herds and studied their methods. From the first she had the whole management of the farm. Her hus band was an invalid and died some years ago. The lady whom Sorosis has just selected for its head is a most successful business woman. She not only learned how to make a living off the farm, but she has, entirely by her own efforts, laid up a handsome competency. The secret of it all is that whatever she undertook she did not rest until she learned to do it a little bit better than anybody else. She sells honey and bees and butter and berries and eggs and other products of her farm. She is have one of the finest small herds said to of full-blooded Jersey cattle in the country. They commanded high prices when sold. She has large and lucrative poultry yards, also. Her country home, on the Delaware, is lovely and hospitable. In the winter Mrs. Thomas is mostly at her other home, at Fordham, in the edge of New York city. Strange to say, although she has been so successful in rural pursuits, she never lived in the country at all before she took her farm. It shows what brains and perseverance ELIZA ARCHARD. can do.

New Fast the Hand Travels. Somebody says he has discovered that the hand of a penman who writes thirty-five words in a minute travels over sixteen feet of space in that time, providing he dots all his i's and cross s all his i's. LUMBER.

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