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1 Gal. can Apples (Battle Creek Pack).....	21c

Our Holiday Goods are in. Don't fail to see them.

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### BUCHANAN RECORD.

D. H. BOWER, PUBLISHER AND PROPRIETOR.

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### POULTRY YARD

Our readers are invited to send in any questions for information on this subject, and any communications bearing on poultry will be received with pleasure, and will be fully discussed in this column.

FEEDING SOFT FOOD.

The practice of feeding soft food has become so general that nearly every writer refers to it as essential to success. It is doubtful, however, if soft food should be fed oftener than twice a week. The gizzard is intended to grind the food and it is not necessary that the food be ground in advance. Then, again, soft food compels the fowl to swallow more water than it requires. Experiments made show that when soft food is given every day the bird does not thrive, the liver becomes large and soft, and disease puts in an appearance. The birds will always prefer hard foods because the natural functions of the gizzard are then performed, and the other organs keep in harmony therewith. When birds seek the food they do not eat a large quantity at once, but a little at a time, but when soft food is allowed they fill their crops to the bursting point and frequently the food is so impacted as to compel opening of the crop. Soft food twice a week is often enough by way of a variety.

FEEDING YOUNG CHICKS.

Corn meal serves to create heat in chicks, a very essential matter, for they should be warm and comfortable, but the chicks in its first stages demands material for bone and feather, and in order to eat enough corn meal to supply the natural want in that direction the internal organs are impaired and the chick droops. Neglect will so retard a chick that it will not recover. The loss of a single meal will often do this, and hence the necessity for regularity in feeding. The demand in the production of bone and feathers is mostly for lime, and this should be accompanied occasionally by iron as a tonic. Lime may be given in the shape of bone meal ground fine, oyster shells, or old mortar pulverized. Even slacked lime is appropriate for use, and food also contains traces of it. Iron exists in all vegetation in minute quantities, but a little tincture of iron in the drinking water once a week will supply all that is needed. The best method of feeding is to allow nothing the first twenty-four hours. Then give hard pinhead oat meal for a day or two. It is well after that time to mix together one part corn meal, two parts ground oats, and one part wheat bran, moistened with warm water to a crumbly dough. Give also mashed potatoes, and occasionally very little hard-boiled eggs, chopped cabbage, boiled turnips, etc., keep warm and dry, feed regularly, and keep them in on stormy days.

A Bridge of Coffins.

When the British forces were marching to Pekin in 1860, after the capture of the Taku forts, one of the rivers became so swollen with the heavy rains that it rendered almost impassable. While the quartermaster was devising a sudden stroke one of the British officers, being well aware that the Chinese generally order their coffins in advance and keep them on the premises, and also that they are perfectly air-tight, he consulted with his brother officers, and they decided that orders were given to search all the houses of the village and collect every coffin, and the river was thus crossed in safety.

Russia's Great Street Fair.

The greatest of all street fairs is that at Nijni Novgorod, in Russia, which is attended by traders and merchants from every part of the world, for it commands the markets of Siberia and central Asia, and every merchant anxious to obtain entrance to the profitable region. The attendance is said often to exceed 500,000, and every street of the city is converted into a fair ground. There are booths everywhere, wherein may be bought anything from a Himalayan dagger or prayer cylinder to an American steam engine.

Where the Ocean Is Deepest.

A little more than thirty miles from the coast of Japan the Pacific ocean has been found to be more than 4,943 fathoms deep. Some officers who were surveying for a telegraph cable found their wire broke at this depth without reaching the bottom. This is said to be the deepest sounding ever made, and so deep that the two highest mountains in Japan, placed one over the other in the abyss, would leave the summit of the higher one two-thirds of a mile below the surface of the water.

Privileges of English Fowls.

A peer can demand a private audience of the sovereign to represent his views on matters of public welfare. For reasons of decorum he cannot be tried by his peers; he cannot be outlawed in any civil action, nor can he be arrested unless for an indictable offense, and he is exempt from serving on juries. He may sit with his coat of arms on the bench, and should be liable to the last penalty of the law he can demand a silken cord instead of a hempen rope.

A Paper Mansion.

A large paper house with sixteen rooms has been erected by a Russian gentleman in this country, near the Savinowka, in Podolia. The house was constructed in New York by an American engineer, and cost \$30,000. Its architect declares that it will last longer than a stone building. To make the triumph of the paper still more emphatic, the house has been set on fire, and the whole of the furniture shall be made of the same material.

Active Volcano in France.

France's single active volcano is a low, broad hill, four hundred feet high, near Decazeville, in the department of the Aveyron. The crater surrounds a thick cloud of smoke, and burning lava is seen at the bottom of the fissures. If a stick is thrust into the ground it catches fire, smokes, sparks and sometimes flames proceeding from the hole.

Future Population of This Country.

Hawaii has a population of 300,000, Porto Rico has about 850,000 inhabitants. The Philippines have a population of 7,000,000. The United States, exclusive of New possessions, has a total of 75,000,000 people at this time. The census of 1900 will show a total population of probably 86,000,000, provided we take all the Philippine islands.

Dahomey's Temple of Serpents.

The small town of Woda, in the kingdom of Dahomey, is celebrated for its temple of serpents, a long building in which the priests keep upward of a thousand serpents of all sizes, which they feed with the snakes brought to them as offerings by the natives.

Tobacco Bad for Fresh Meat.

Fresh meat, easily absorbs nicotine from tobacco smoke and soon becomes tainted. Aware of this fact, the proprietors of a restaurant in New York City will not permit kitchen employees to smoke in the kitchen or storerooms.

Riches Concealed in Rags.

Two Paris policemen the other day arrested a ragged vagabond who was too imbecile to answer any questions. When his clothing was searched his pockets were found to contain \$4,000 in banknotes and \$170,000 in bonds.

### How Bankruptcy Strikes a Man.

A Maori chief, who lost \$40 through a white storekeeper going through the bankruptcy court, has given the following lucid exposition of this particular branch of British jurisprudence: "The pakeha (white man) who wants to become pakeharu (insolvent) goes into business and gets lots of goods, and does not pay for them. He then gets all the money he can together, say \$2,000, and puts all of it, except \$5, away where no one can find it. With the \$5 he goes to a judge of the court and tells him he wants to become pakeharu. The judge then calls all the lawyers together, like all the men to whom the pakeha owes money, and he says: "This man is pakeharu, but he wishes to give you all that he has, and so he has asked me to divide this \$5 among you all." The judge then gives the lawyers \$4 and the remaining \$1 to the other men. Then the pakeha goes home.—London Chronicle

### Irish Hostess Gifted.

In the courthouse, Ballbrigan, Ireland, recently, in the presence of a large assembly, Sir Frederick Palkiner, recorder of Dublin, presented Mrs. Mangan as the recipient of a significant photograph of the queen.

The hostess, Mrs. Mangan, who had been employed continually during the last 50 years in making hostess for the royal family. The countess of Arran subsequently drew her majesty's attention to the fact that Mrs. Mangan had followed the trade of hostess for the past 60 years, and had during that time constantly supplied the royal family with Irish hosiery. As the result of the representations Mrs. Mangan was the recipient of a significant photograph of the queen.

### Convicted Himself.

A clergyman recently, addressing those who criticize others while they themselves are open to criticism, told this story: "When I was a boy, I had a schoolmaster who had odd ways of catching idle boys. Says he, one day: 'Boys, I must have closer attention to books; the first one of you that sees another boy idle I want you to inform me and I will attend to the case.' 'Ah, I thought to myself, 'there's Joe Simmons, that I don't like; I'll watch him, and if I see him look off his book I'll tell on him.' It was not long before I saw Joe look off his book, and immediately I informed the master. 'Indeed,' said he, 'how did you know he was idle?' 'I saw him,' was the reply. 'You did; and were your eyes on your book when you saw him?' I was caught, but I didn't write for the boys again."

### Isabel Was Business Adviser.

It is said that the only two countries where women are the leaders and men in leading strings are France and the United States. Frenchmen comment on the fact that English and American women often are utterly ignorant as to whether their husbands are making or losing money, while the Frenchman's adviser, and is made his confidante in regard to all his business transactions. The critics think that the different positions occupied by American and English women are due largely to education, boys and girls being educated in the same schools in America.

### Lot's Wife's Fate Settled.

Isabel had spent most of her five years on a cattle ranch and while at her grandfather's home in the city she was taken to Sunday school by the first time. The teacher told the story of Lot's wife, and Isabel listened very attentively. The teacher ended the story by saying, "For all I know, the pillar of salt may be there now." "Say, was that a cattle county?" asked Isabel. "Well, I think so," replied the teacher. "Let me tell you," with an air of superior knowledge, "those cattle would have licked her up long ago."

### All in One Hotel.

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In the professional school at Chalmers, Meudon, the Industrie Textile states that spiders have now to spin for the benefit of the balloons which are used by scientists and military researchers. The spiders are grouped in dozens before a reel, which withdraws the delicate threads. One spider can give a thread from twenty to forty yards in length, after which performance it is released. The threads are of pinkish hue, and are used to remove the sticky surface layer. Eight threads have to be combined. The resulting texture is much lighter than ordinary silk of the same bulk, and strong cords for military balloons can now doubt be obtained in this way.

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## REMODEL SALE

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—THIS WEEK.

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Ladies' Gowns and Blouses.....	\$2.75, \$3.15, \$3.15	Special Drive in Underwear.....	\$1.00 to \$2.00
Waistcoats.....	75c, \$1.00, \$1.25	50c Dress Goods.....	25c
50c and 40c Dress Goods.....	25c	75c, 10c and 50c Goods.....	15c to 25c
Comfort Calicoes.....	15c	Collar Ties.....	15c to 25c
Tennis Flannels.....	50c, 75c and 10c		

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Peace Commissioners in Paris Meet with Some Delay.

MANY MATTERS ARE TO BE ADJUSTED.

The Cuba, Porto Rico and Philippine Items Agreed To—Other Articles Are Discussed—Cabinet Instructions to Rios.

Paris, Dec. 1.—There were 13 articles laid before the two commissions Wednesday, covering the following subjects:

First. The relinquishment of sovereignty over and claim of title to Cuba.

Second. The cession of Porto Rico and other Spanish possessions in the West Indies, together with the island of Puerto Rico.

Third. The cession of the Philippines.

Fourth. The terms of the evacuation of the Philippines.

Fifth. The pledge of the United States to preserve the Philippines pending the ratification of the treaty.

Sixth. The release of military prisoners.

Seventh. The cession by Spain of the islands of Kansas, or Puerto Rico, in the Caroline.

Eighth. The mutual relinquishment of indemnity claims.

Ninth. The religious freedom of the Carolines, assuring the rights of American citizens.

Tenth. Cable landing rights at points within the Spanish jurisdiction.

Eleventh. The release by Spain of political prisoners for offenses in Cuba and the Philippines.

Twelfth. The pledge of the United States to inaugurate in the Philippines an "open door" policy and to guarantee the same to Spain for at least 10 years.

Thirteenth. A revival of the treaties broken by Spain.

Matanzas Agreed Upon.

The first three articles were mutually agreed upon, as was also the article embodying the terms of the evacuation of the Philippines, which was practically the same as in the evacuation of Cuba and Porto Rico.

The annual release of military prisoners was agreed upon, Spain liberating the rebel prisoners and the United States releasing the Manila garrison and the Spaniards held by Aguinaldo.

The political prisoners to be released by Spain are such as are now in exile at Ceuta, in Morocco, or at other Spanish penal establishments.

Daily sessions will be held hereafter and it is now believed that the work may be possibly concluded this week, although so early a termination is not probable.

The foregoing list of subjects under consideration does not show the precise order in which the articles were laid before the Spanish commissioners, and in fact only eight of the thirteen articles were discussed.

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NOT CONSTITUTIONAL.

Senator Hoar Opposed to the Acquisition by Purchase of the Philippine Islands.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 1.—Senator Hoar, who has been actively and positively opposed to the acquisition of the Philippines by the United States. In a communication to the Gazette he says:

"I have not, so far, any news which is absolutely trustworthy of what they are doing in Paris. But if the report is true that the president has decided to purchase the Philippine islands, and to do so by the use of money, I do not believe that the people of this country will support it. I believe it ought to be agreed to, Spain has very little sovereignty in the Philippines to sell just now, and I do not think the people of the United States are in the market to buy sovereignty just now or that the constitution has conferred on any body the right to buy such commodities. The constitution was framed upon the theory that sovereignty is not salable. The people of the United States have consented to the acquisition of territory by purchase in their behalf. We have acquired territory, either vacant or so sparsely settled that there was no people capable of governing it and no form of national life. We have also, in one recent case, acquired territory where the original form of national life had perished. But neither of these precedents are applicable to the Philippine islands, with its millions of inhabitants."

Roby Men Win.

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Demands Big Money.

Madrid, Dec. 1.—The government has received an important dispatch from the Philippines, in which it is stated that Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, demands as a condition of his return for the release of the imprisoned Spaniards.

Real Estate Men Hit.

Siox City, Ia., Dec. 1.—H. D. Boege, Jr., and James F. Boege, big real estate operators here in former days, went into voluntary bankruptcy. Their liabilities are \$300,000 and assets nominal.

MONTH OF BIG GALES.

Peculiar Meteorological Statistics Reported for November by the Chicago Weather Bureau.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—Meteorological statistics and tables compiled by Forecaster Cox, of the weather bureau, show that November has had a peculiar combination of normal and abnormal atmospheric conditions. The gales that lashed the coast to pieces on the great lakes during the early part of the month were the severest recorded in the archives of the weather office, and the day of Indian summer which preceded the end of the month was an unusual change between the two were among the most remarkable phenomena of several years' observation.

To Protect Old Glory.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—The flag committee of the Sons of the American Revolution and Society of Colonial Wars, in Illinois, and the American Flag Association of Greater New York mailed on Wednesday 20,000 pamphlets, entitled "Desecration of the American Flag and Prohibitive Legislation," to all parts of the United States.

Stevens Town, Wjs., Dec. 1.—The county board has materially changed the map of Portage county by a rearrangement of the townships. The township of Stevens Point passes out of existence and a new township was created and named Devoy.

Bishop of Iowa.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Dec. 1.—The contest over the election of a bishop for the Iowa diocese of the Episcopal church was brought to a close by the election of Rev. Dr. Theodore N. Morrison, rector of the Epiphany church in Chicago.

Medal Joe Schley.

Baltimore, Dec. 1.—At a special meeting of the Schley testimonial committee it was decided to present to Admiral Schley a medal commensurate with his distinguished services. The medal was designed upon in lieu of a sword.

The Season Closed.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 1.—Local coal shippers to the lakes were notified that no more coal would be received at the lake ports this year. This closes the season and throws several thousand miners out of employment.

'HIS WIFE, BEING A WOMAN.'

A Strange Sounding Phrase Which Started the Disconcerted Visitor Thereof.

If you are a woman, a timid at one time, but imbued with a strong belief that the timid should be routed out of your character and if possessing the character and the determination of a man, you belong to a woman's literary club, you know what it is, says the Chicago Chronicle, to be called upon suddenly to assist in a discussion. Your lack of courage makes you cling to your chair and propose to shake your feet in refusal, but your emphatic effort at self-conquest forces you to your feet and you hear your voice start a sentence freely and you realize you are talking and not, as you thought, not so much in order to be impressive as to be quiet to your chattering teeth and seek the seclusion of your seat.

Some such experience as this a woman went through recently. She is a member of a literary club in the West Side, one of the most faithful in attendance and valued for her sound knowledge of numerous subjects, not as George Eliot would protest, "knowing many things badly," but accurately and positively.

At one of the sessions of the club at which she was expected to speak she was suddenly called upon by the president to read a paper on the evolution of the human race.

Nothing was simpler or more to be feared. But the sudden attack disconcerted the timid speaker. She tried it, though, and began bravely enough. At all once, she heard her voice say: "His wife, being a woman" and she stopped immediately, horrified at her own stupidity. The members smile because contagious and she laughed enjoyably at her own expense. Ever since "his wife being a woman" is a phrase that quickly controls her sentences.

NATURE'S SCAVENGERS.

In Systematic Way She Keeps Her Forces in Readiness Where They Are Needed.

Nature, not being a European power, keeps her forces in readiness where they are needed; in consequence of which the scavengers muster in strength in hot countries, says the Saturday Review. Vultures wander but rarely to these parts, and with few exceptions, but minnows of their race. Yet they have even in these islands lumber purifiers at work, tadpoles and burying beetles, and others suitable to the comparatively easy work that falls to them. One of the most interesting when natural history is taught in a rational manner in our schools, when the rising generations learn to appreciate the living world around instead of banging tinny and spangling pigments we shall have a manifestation of the modern zoological faith and a better appreciation of the beasts and birds.

We shall find nothing to shudder at in the meat of the vulture, but we may, on the contrary, even be interested in that remarkable bird and its fellow scavengers as among the worthiest of earth's children. To the last vulture is active in its allotted mission, and when at length it falls no living beast or insect will be left to rot. It is a fitting and noble end, as those who know have learned to near an uncovered dead vulture for some days—monument to the usefulness of the great scavenging army of which it was once so active a member.

HE IS A FINDER.

The Curious Way an Expert Pick-pocket Wins of Earning a Livelihood in London.

To anyone unacquainted with the complex character of London life it would appear almost incredible that a man could make a living as a pick-pocket by immediately restoring what he has stolen to its original owner.

A detective officer, however, has recently informed a writer in The Bits that such, indeed, is the case. For some time past an ingenious individual has made it his business to wait upon ladies as they leave theaters, calling their attention and asking the number. He is decently dressed, very polite, and has a way of holding up the ladies' dresses behind—especially if the weather is wet—which is particularly pleasing to his patronesses.

But it seems that his action in this respect is not nearly so distinguished as it might appear, for he makes this little courtesy a subterfuge for picking their pockets or removing any article of value within reach. His methods, however, are not those of a common thief, for he persistently proceeds to the police station nearest at hand and there delivers up his spoil, coolly stating that he has found it outside a certain theater.

He, of course, furnishes also his name and address, and in due time his "found" so many times recently that the police are anxious to find him.

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Volcano in Alaska.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 1.—Dr. W. D. Kinloch and T. P. Hines, Denver mining men who, with Col. Hughes, of Rosland, have just returned from Alaska, report that a volcano is in active eruption about 80 miles from Atlin City. No name has yet been given to the volcano, but the officials are preparing for a trip of inspection and will christen it.

Nine Persons Drowned.

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 1.—The Ainsworth, a small steamer plying between Nelson and Bonner's Ferry, was wrecked during a heavy fog on the coast of British Columbia, and six of her crew and three passengers being drowned.

Wrecked on the Volga.

Moscow, Dec. 1.—During a terrific storm a vessel plying on the Volga river was wrecked near Kineshma, 150 miles west of this city. Thirty persons were drowned.

A DESERTED CITY.

Title and Disposition of One of the Strangest Towns on This Continent.

In Nevada county, Cal., repose the remains of one of the strangest towns on this continent. Meadow Lake is the name of the deserted village, and the lava is the summit snow storms, which sometimes bury it 25 feet deep on a level, and whose annual exhuming is brought about by the summer sun, says the New York Herald.

It was one of 1865 that the name Meadow Lake was formally given to the town, previously called Excelsior and Summit City. Until 1868 nothing had been done in the way of prospecting the particular locality.

Henry Hartly, an Englishman, who visited the vicinity in June, 1865, in search of game and chanced to discover fragments of gold; imparted his discovery to his friends. A company was formed to explore the locality, and the building of a city was started.

With the close of the fall of 1865 the new city contained about 150 houses completed and a number of others under way. The prospectors, however, were disappointed. The adventurers avoke to the sad reality; that, though there was plenty of gold in Meadow Lake, it was so combined with some substance unknown to the metallurgists that it was practically locked from the hand of man.

All dreams, the black art, science and metallurgy were set at naught. One after another, as they abandoned hope, the disappointed gold seekers turned their backs on Meadow Lake and went down the mountain.

More than \$2,000,000 had been poured into that bottomless abyss of California known as "dead work," to pay for mills, roads, bridges, and other improvements.

For years the solitary inhabitant of Meadow Lake was Hartly, the Englishman, who was mainly responsible for the existence of the town.

CATS PROTECT CHICKENS.

Three Semi-Wild Fables Pounce Upon a Hawk That Invaded a Poultry Yard.

H. C. Barnett, who lives near Media, has in his possession the body of a chicken hawk that was killed in a poultry yard near Philadelphia.

It is a well known fact that a farmer, but makes a specialty of poultry raising. Since he has owned the farm three old cats left by the former tenant have hung about the place in a way that has been a great nuisance to tame the animals, but they refused all friendly overtures and took up their abode in the barn. However, as they did not harm the chickens they were not molested.

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POETESS ON COMPLEXION.

She Says That Love and Sorrow Only Intensify the Beauty of Women.

A poetess of passion has written an article on the art of keeping young, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. She does not call it that and she devotes nearly all her space to complexion. Of figures or hair or dress or ideas she says not a word. She says women do not paint or caulk their faces in this enlightened age, but they do use the most delicate and expensive cosmetics and spend money on them. They do not tell the men of their acquaintance the brand of cold cream or the make of toothbrush they employ, because men are prejudiced against the use of cosmetics in the same person. Man thinks soap and water sufficient cosmetics for any woman. The poetess of passion flouts him; she says there are scores of excellent persons of the feminine persuasion who never use any of their faces. One of the most beautiful women she knew at 60 had a pink and white skin, the result of bathing in hot milk, and never having used soap.

The observing writer goes on to say that the complexion of a woman is a feeling, an emotional woman alone can retain their youthful complexion is a fallacy. Love and sorrow intensify instead of spoiling beauty, she says. It is only the lower and meaner passions, Nick, the pugilist, and other Chicago gamblers, who, for three days, have been in trial here for operating a pool-room at Roby, practically won a victory by the jury discrediting it. It is thought the case will be eventually dropped, as no other proof can be obtained by the state.

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London, Dec. 1.—The Biarritz correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "Senior Sagasta now admits that Carlist is the greatest existing danger to the stability of the Spanish throne, and is seriously alarmed at the indications of an imminent rising. The Carlist plans have been elaborately devised, even to the extent of appointing a governor of Madrid."

Volcano in Alaska.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 1.—Dr. W. D. Kinloch and T. P. Hines, Denver mining men who, with Col. Hughes, of Rosland, have just returned from Alaska, report that a volcano is in active eruption about 80 miles from Atlin City. No name has yet been given to the volcano, but the officials are preparing for a trip of inspection and will christen it.

Nine Persons Drowned.

Nelson, B. C., Dec. 1.—The Ainsworth, a small steamer plying between Nelson and Bonner's Ferry, was wrecked during a heavy fog on the coast of British Columbia, and six of her crew and three passengers being drowned.