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The lot of a young man who goes to a great city in quest of fortune is, for the first few years, anything but easy and agreeable. He exchanges the warm and personal interest of his friends and family for the cold indifference and apparent selfishness of strangers. From a figure of prominence in the society and upon the streets of his native village, he becomes one of an army of boarders, who bolt their food in silence and regard each other with indifference, and he is only a drop in the tide of humanity that surges through the streets of the great metropolis. He is only one of hundreds who constitute the propelling force of the machinery in the great establishment in which he obtains a place. His employer does not know him, being almost as far removed from personal contact with his employer as the emperor of China is removed beyond his subjects. In the church which he attends the pews are rented and there is no one to ask after or care particularly for his spiritual welfare. The third story back room of his lodging house is shabby and cheerless, and its solitude is a dismal contrast to the home which he has left. It is as great a contrast to the gay and brilliantly lighted beer gardens, billiard halls and concert rooms, where there are music and cheerful company who are not so formal as to refuse his companionship without the ordinary presentations. It is one of the hard things of life that the society of those whose acquaintance will be nothing of a benefit is to be had at all times, and in all the places that are accessible to him; while those who might aid and encourage him in his battle with the powers that wage war against the soul, are engrossed with their own business and pleasures. Among the hundreds of young men who have been carefully reared in the seclusion of country homes, a very small per cent. go to ruin through an inherent desire to gratify depraved instincts. The greater number drift to destruction because there is no helping hand to hold them back, and because the influence of evil is more alert in their behalf than the influence that might help and save them to an honorable and useful career.

ROLL OF HONOR.—The following is a list of the soldiers from Washington Township who fought for our liberty and freedom, and that are dead:

Of the War 1812: Ellick Gillaspy, James McCowen, Wm. Smith, Sam. Collins, Thos. Reddick, D. McCoy, James Mulky, Wm. Gaskins, A. H. Fulford, Sam Neal, Daniel Ray, Martin King, David Stout.

Of the War of Mexico: Wm. Hovian, John B. Langwell, Phillip Smith, John Martin, Solomon Langwell.

Soldiers of the War of 1861: D. A. Landy, C. Gibeon, D. C. Kenrick, James Kendrick, A. Hacker, John Martin, Sr., Jno. Martin, Jr., N. Martin, C. Clarkson, J. Smith, C. Tongate, N. Smith, S. Knight, B. Hovious, S. Gaskins, H. W. Haskett, T. Bastin, J. T. Gaskins, H. Simms, J. Holler, John Gillaspie, H. Gaskins, G. Neal, A. Bastin, Robt. Simms, Isaac Denny, Abi Lyster, W. D. Gaskins, J. Bastin, N. G. Bastin, J. T. Gillaspie, John T. Biipole, J. P. Fulford, I. Gaskins, S. Gaskins, G. Grayham, W. B. Gentry, G. M. Hill, I. Holler, W. Helton, M. W. Harris, John Haskett, Dan Haskett, James Fox, N. C. Milam, J. Murphy, M. Neal, I. Payne, R. Ryan, J. J. Ray, W. Riddle, J. Richardson, John Smith, James Simms, S. Switzer, B. F. Woodall, C. Bolen, John Campbell, J. H. Hill, F. M. Milam, A. Bang, John Gaskins, John Smith, James Payne, J. T. Fox, J. Deany, A. J. McNeely, Thomas Gaskins, John Gaskin, R. Turner, C. Gaskins, R. P. Hanna, Wm. Ashbaugh, Robert Hovious, Wm. Demor, E. Smith, W. Helton, A. Helton, Jno. Peters, James Gillaspie, V. Johnson, F. Johnson.

The newspaper is the engine that furnishes the power that propels the progressive machinery of a town or city. No operator in these days would attempt to build up a town without the help of a newspaper. Capital itself would almost be useless in this direction without the support of a newspaper. All the "booms" that have not had the support of a newspaper have collapsed. In fact there can be no progressive prosperity in any town or county without the backing of the newspapers. The better the newspaper the better will it be to do good. But the newspaper itself must have backing. It must have substantial support, and this support should come from the people who are benefited by efforts of the newspaper. Every business in the town should be represented in the advertising columns of the paper. It should be remembered that the outsiders do not confine themselves to reading editorials and local news, but more particularly look at the advertising columns to satisfy themselves as to the amount of business done. They do not credit the town with branches of business they do not see advertised.

—A remedy which the writer has tested many times without a failure is published in the Popular Science Monthly, which says it can always be used by some one else upon a person who has "the hiccoughs," and generally by the sufferer himself. You say to your friend something like this: "See how close together you can hold the tips of your fingers without touching. Now keep your elbows out from your sides. You can get your fingers closer than that. They are touching now. Therefore hold them so. Steady!" By this time you can generally ask, "Now, why don't you hiccough?" The involuntary tendency to breathe slowly and steadily when the attention is fixed on performing a delicate manipulation counteracts the convulsive action of the diagram.

—An Indians farmer, who told his boys to burn every bumble bee nest they found on the farm, and who was complaining at the failure of his clover seed crop, was surprised when Maurice Thompson, the naturalist, said: "That is why your clover seed fails you. Bumble-bees make your clover seed." It is a fact that a strong nest of bumble-bees in a big clover field is worth twenty dollars to the owner: for these insects are the chief agents in fertilizing the blossoms, thereby ensuring a heavy crop of seed. In Australia there are no bumble-bees of our kind, and they could not raise clover seed there until they imported some.

—A London physician, who is a vegetarian, writes that if a person were to live on meat alone as much as eight pounds a day would be necessary. Then there are to be considered the diseases of animals which are communicable to man if that flesh be not thoroughly cooked to the Bedford route—Simeon Pedigo is said to be rapidly convalescing under the gas treatment.

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