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fine suit or overcoat; or a full dress or Tuxedo suit. You'll never get more money's worth; nor better clothes.

Anything bought here may be exchanged at any time; if he doesn't like it, bring it back.

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#### VALUE OF NATION'S GRAINS.

Decrease in Corn, but Other Cereals Show Healthy Progress.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The production in 1928 and farm value on December first of important farm products according to the final revised estimates of the department of agriculture announced Tuesday, are as follows:

Corn, 2,668,651,000 bushels and farm value \$1,616,145,000 against 2,592,320,000 bushels in 1927 and \$1,336,901,000 on December 1 of that year; winter wheat, 437,908,000 bushels, and \$410,330,000 against 409,442,000 and \$361,217,000 last year; spring wheat, 226,694,000 and \$206,496,000 against 224,645,000 bushels and \$193,220,000 in 1927; oats, 807,156,000 bushels, and \$381,171,000 against 754,443,000 and \$334,568,000; barley, 166,756,000 bushels, and \$92,442,000 against 153,597,000 and \$102,290,000.

#### Protect Against Persians.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 16.—A dispatch from Tiumanah says that the British detachment arrived at Dilmun Tuesday to protect the inhabitants against the excesses of the Persian irregulars commanded by Satar Khan.

#### Firebugs Are Foiled.

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—What is supposed to have been an attempt to burn the big car building owned by the J. C. Brill Company in this city Monday night was frustrated by the vigilance of watchmen who have been employed to guard the plant since the alleged incendiary fire of two weeks ago which caused a loss of more than \$250,000.

#### Two Anarchists Arrested.

Bellingham, Wash., Dec. 16.—Emma Goldman and Dr. Ben Reitman were arrested here today for holding an anarchist gathering. Chief of Police Cade stated the arrests were made under the provision of the United States constitution which makes treason a crime. The chief holds that anarchy is treason. Emma Goldman will fight the case.

#### Words of Praise

For the several ingredients of which Dr. Pierce's medicine is composed, as given by leaders in all the several schools of medicine, should have far more weight than any amount of non-professional testimonials. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been analyzed and pronounced a genuine medicine, in a full list of all its ingredients printed in plain English.

If you are an invalid woman and suffer from frequent headache, backache, ringing in the ears, faint spells and dizzying in the stomach, periodical pains, dragging down distress in lower abdomen or pelvic, perhaps dark spots or specks dancing before the eyes, faint spells and kindred symptoms caused by female weakness, or derangement of the feminine organs, you can do no better than take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

The best medical advice and operating that may be avoided by the timely use of "Favorite Prescription" in such cases. Thereby the obnoxious examinations and local treatments of the family physician can be avoided and a thorough course of successful treatment carried out in the privacy of the home. "Favorite Prescription" is composed of the very best native medicinal roots known to medical science for the cure of woman's peculiar ailments, contains no alcohol and no harmful or habit-forming drugs. It must be given a fair chance by perseverance in its use for a reasonable length of time.

You can't afford to accept a secret nostrum as a substitute for this remedy of known composition.

Sick women are invited to consult by letter, free. All correspondence is held as strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address: World's Dispensary Medical Association, Dr. E. V. Pierce, Free, No. 635 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets the best laxative and regulator of the bowels. They invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. One a laxative; two or three a cathartic. Easy to take as candy.

## EVANS DEFENDS OUR WARSHIPS

ADMIRAL RIDDLES CRITICISM OF UNITED STATES BATTLE FLEET BY REUTERDAHL.

SAYS AMERICAN CRAFT ARE SUPERIORS OF ALL

Latest Creations in Naval Fighting Vessels Surpass Even England's Boasted Dreadnaught, Asserts Ex-Officer in Magazine Article.

New York, Dec. 16.—That the latest battleships built by this country are vastly superior to England's Dreadnaught, is emphatically stated by Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans in an article in the latest number of Hampton's Broadway Magazine, wherein he strongly defends the American navy and replies to criticisms of it made some time ago by Henry Reuterdahl and others.

Admiral Evans urges the superiority of the 13-inch gun over the 12-inch and asserts that the change to the lesser caliber to conform to England's type was a most serious blunder. This is chargeable, he says, to the sea-going officers of the navy and not to any staff corps.

Regarding the waterline armor belt, he says:

"I am sure, after many weeks of close observation, that the lower edge of the armor belt is too high rather than too low."

It had been strenuously contended by critics that the low location of the belt was a vital point of weakness. "As the upper edge of the belt is always even with or above the level of the protective belt," continues Admiral Evans, "the danger to be apprehended from a projectile penetrating above the belt, beyond the wrecking effect of such projectile, is that due to the amount of water that may enter the hole. It is the damage that may be done by such projectiles entering below that may cause the destruction of the ship—one projectile so placed may cause the ship to sink by exploding magazines or boilers, but this is improbable. It will require many 12-inch shells on the waterline, or in any other place, to disable or sink a ship if the officers and men know their business and want to fight."

Can't Be Like Russian Fleet.

"Of all the inaccurate and misleading statements in this wonderful Reuterdahl criticism," he continues, "the most incorrect is that the battleships of the United States are in exactly the same condition as were the Russian ships after the Russo-Japanese fight in the Sea of Japan—temporarily, but permanently. 'I assert,' says the admiral, 'that the battle fleet of the United States never was and never will be, never can be, in the condition of that Russian fleet when it went into action for the last time.'"

Pleads Guilty, Gets Life.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 16.—Dr. Thomas Birdson, slayer of Dr. A. B. Pitts, a prominent physician of Hazelhurst, Tuesday entered a plea of guilty, and in accordance with an agreement between counsel was given a life sentence in the penitentiary.

Baron Alleged Robber.

New York, Dec. 16.—A distinguished looking man who is said to have the title of baron in Austria, was held at police headquarters Tuesday, charged with robbing his host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zur Helle of West One Hundred and Twelfth street, whom he had been visiting.

Cromwell Chas. Schlabbach, who has been at Mt. Clemens for the past two weeks, taking a course of baths, returned Saturday looking well. Charley says he feels all right again.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Thomas were visitors at Albion last Wednesday. Several cars of hogs were shipped last Wednesday besides the usual shipment of stock.

The house of Richard Wyland, about seven miles south, was burned to the ground last Wednesday afternoon.

Our streets are now clear of the telephone poles. This makes quite an improvement to our town not only to the eye but for the safety of our people. Many larger poles cannot be removed for the safety of life.

The electric plant is being enlarged in town which causes one to believe there will soon be a renewal of electric lights here. For the last two weeks after sundown we have been hauling into town to give enjoyment to the young people when the time comes. Classes in the churches and elsewhere are rehearsing their Christmas tales to be given next week and in fact we are all ready to meet old genial Santa Claus.

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(Too late for last week.)

Mrs. Anderson Galloway has been suffering for some years from an overworked tongue, and that to such an extent that made life almost unbearable. After consulting many doctors and physicians who were unable to give any relief. She was advised to consult an osteopath in Albion, who in two treatments has been able to afford her relief. This fact accounts for the big smile that adorns Anderson's face these days.

Hank Krager is having his saloon all repainted and decorated. Bill Brown, being the artist. Hank has now as fine a saloon as you can find anywhere as regards management, quality of goods and accommodations.

A dance was held last Saturday evening in the Krager Hall. It was amply attended, the music was of a high order and all went well and merry as the proverbial marriage bell.

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McBride the baker at the Star bakery moved his house hold goods to Goshen where he has assumed the management of another establishment. John Kline, who has been engaged on the creamery wagon during the summer has taken charge of the oven, and from his past experience it may be prophesied that the concern won't lose by the arrangement.

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peated. An object lesson such as they witnessed is good for all time and men are only wise, who avail themselves of such opportunities to improve their own conditions. Their money was well spent and will, no doubt show good results on the home farm.

Butchering is being carried on extensively among the farmers during the last week, the weather moving suitable. Grandma McEachran, mother of Robert McEachran, and mother of Miss McEachran of our high school passed away to the land of the future last Sunday. She had attained four score years and a few more ere she passed away.

Woman Grossly Wronged Mrs. Florence Maybrick, who spent fifteen years in an English prison for the alleged poisoning of her husband has just had over 2,000,000 acres of land in Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky adjudged to her. During her imprisonment her attorney sold the tract to himself for \$10,000, although it was worth a million. He is now compelled to cancel the deed.

There was and is a belief that Mrs. Maybrick was unjustly sentenced, as the presiding judge was proven to have been mentally unsound; but Queen Victoria with her rigid views on domestic life would not heed any appeals for pardon. King Edward, however, granted her a full pardon. A pitiful feature of her case is that at her imprisonment she was separated from her little girl and boy, aged 3 and 2 years, respectively. That was 19 years ago, and she knows not whether they are alive. Possibly this large fortune may cause those who have them hidden to bring them forward as claimants. Mrs. Maybrick married young and is now but little over 40 years. She was a noted southern beauty, and is now devoting her energies to ameliorating the conditions of prison life in the south.

For That Dull Feeling After Eating I have used Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for some time, and can testify that they have done me more good than any tablets I have ever used. My trouble was a heavy dull feeling after eating. Bill Brown, being the artist. Hank has now as fine a saloon as you can find anywhere as regards management, quality of goods and accommodations.

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**I.W. HARPER KENTUCKY WHISKEY**

For Sale by A. S. BORDNER

#### NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

News has been brought to San Francisco of the wreck of the British bark Kuklad on the coast of Salvador October 14. The crew was saved.

Baron Rosen, Russian ambassador, sailed from Cherbourg, France, for the United States, to resume his duties at Washington. He has been absent some months.

President Roosevelt refused to appoint Frederick Grosscup collector of internal revenue for West Virginia, because, it is said, he is a brother of Judge Grosscup of Chicago.

A thief entered the rooms of Lord and Lady Northcliffe in New York, while the London editor and wife were out driving, but he secured only a feather, being put frightened away.

Efforts are being put forth by Representative Mondell of Wyoming, to smooth the way for the passage at this session of congress of his bill increasing the quantity of land that may be taken up for a homestead from 160 acres to 320.

#### AMERICAN OIL IS DECREASING.

So Says John D. Archbold on Stand in New York.

New York, Dec. 16.—Vice-President John D. Archbold, the active head of the Standard Oil Company, again was a witness in the government suit for the dissolution of that corporation when the hearing was resumed Tuesday before Referee Ferris here. Mr. Rosenthal, for the Standard, first asked Mr. Archbold to testify about the company's connection with a man named Post, the owner of a large oil-marketing concern in Germany. He said that Post first purchased his supplies from the Deutsch-Americanische Petroleum Gesellschaft, and then from the Pure Oil Company, but in 1894 he returned to the German company which had a connection with the Standard. He said that the supply of oil in this country was steadily decreasing while it was steadily increasing in Russia.

#### Ask Federal Art Bureau.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The establishment of a federal bureau of fine arts under the department of the interior was recommended by the committee on the allied fine arts of the American Institute of Architects which met here Tuesday in its forty-second annual convention.

#### Two Get Life Terms.

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 16.—The supreme court of Missouri affirmed the sentences of John Woolley of Buchanan county and Robert Samsen of Johnson county, and sentenced them to life terms in the state penitentiary for murder in the second degree.

#### Another Scrap in Tropics.

Rio Janeiro, Dec. 16.—The relations existing to-day between Brazil and the Argentine are distinctly strained as a result of the jealousy following the alleged activities of each country in the matter of increasing its naval force.

#### THE MARKETS.

##### Grain, Provisions, Etc.

Chicago, Dec. 15. FLOUR—Market strong. Spring wheat, special brands, \$6.30; Minnesota, hard patent, \$6.40; straight, export bags, \$6.40; clear, export bags, \$6.40; low grades, \$6.20; winter wheat, patent, \$6.70; straight, \$6.70; white, \$6.70; dark, \$6.60; rye flour, white, \$6.70; dark, \$6.60. WHEAT—Weak. July, 97¢; May, 94¢; December, 91¢. CORN—Weakish. December, 57¢; May, 54¢; July, 53¢. OATS—Firm. May, 52¢; December, 51¢. RYE—Dull. No. 2 western, 35¢, f. o. b. New York.

BUTTER—Creamery, extra, 30¢; price to retail dealers, 31¢; prints, 32¢; extra firsts, 27¢; second, 25¢; second, 23¢; dairies, extra, 25¢; firsts, 23¢; second, 21¢; lard, No. 1, 25¢; packing stock, 20¢.

EGGS—Cases returned, 25¢; 25¢; cases included, 26¢; ordinary firsts, 27¢; prime firsts, 28¢; extra, 29¢.

POTATOES—Choice to fancy, 70¢; fair to good, 68¢; sweet potatoes, Illinois, 20¢.

##### Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 15. CATTLE—Good to fancy steers, \$5.00; 7.00; medium to good steers, \$5.00; 7.00; common to fair steers, \$4.00; 6.50; range steers, \$3.00; 6.00; native yearlings, \$3.50; 6.00; plain to fancy cows, \$3.00; 6.00; common to good steers, \$2.00; 4.00; common to good feeders, \$1.50; 4.00; good cutting steers, \$2.25; 3.50; heavy cows, \$2.25; 3.50; bullock, \$2.25; 3.50; calves, \$2.00; 3.00.

HOGS—Prime to heavy butchers, \$5.50; 6.50; choice light-weight butchers, \$5.50; 6.50; heavy butchers, \$5.50; 6.50; pigs, \$5.50; 6.50; coarse stock, \$2.25; 3.50; pigs, \$2.00; 3.00.

OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 15. CATTLE—Market 10¢ lower. Native steers, \$7.50; 7.50; cows and heifers, \$5.00; 4.75; western steers, \$5.00; 4.75; cows and heifers, \$5.00; 4.75; canners, \$2.00; 2.70; stockers and feeders, \$2.25; 3.50; calves, \$2.00; 3.00; bullock, \$2.25; 3.50; pigs, \$2.00; 3.00.

HOGS—Market steady. Heavy, \$5.50; 6.50; mixed, \$5.00; 6.00; light, \$5.50; 6.50; pigs, \$5.00; 6.00; bulk of sales, \$5.00; 6.00.

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#### Real Estate Transfers

Prepared each week by the Noble county abstract office D. S. Taylor. Sherman Kimmell and wife to Millard F. Parker E½ NW¼ sec 23 T 44 R 10.

Adolph Kann and wife to Harriet E. Long, lot 40 Ligonier.

Charles Grunden to Henry Myers and wife pt SW¼ fri NE¼ sec 1 T 35 R 10.

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Sarah Smith et al to Lester E. Arthur W¼ SE¼ sec 26 T 33 T 10.

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Frederick Schmenk and wife to John Ueber and wife lot 94 Avila.

Sarah E. McKee to Rolando Strare pt W¼ E½ NW¼ sec 1 T 33 R 6.

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Jacob B. Frick and wife to Simon J. Straus S end SW¼ NE¼ sec 2 T 23 R 5.

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Jacob F. Ream and wife to John K. Riddle pt E½ NW¼ sec 34 T 35 R 11.

Rachel Cary et al to Clarence & Edward Holsinger NE¼ sec 12 T 35 R 10.

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Nathan J. Roberts and wife to Jacob Dilts lot 58 Iddings add Kedd.

The December American Boy. The efforts of the publishers to make the Christmas American Boy worthy of its readers, have certainly proven successful. The picture (in colors) of the pleased and smiling boy laden with Christmas presents and his no less delighted four-footed friend, which adorns the front cover page, is a happy index to the fine timely matter the magazine contains.

The interesting serials by Houston and Tomlinson are concluded this month as is also The Deer Trailers, while That Dillingham Boy is continued. Christmas, of course, is the theme of most of the short stories: Billy's Skyscraper Christmas Tree tells the result of a boyish prank; Officer Ben makes a Christmas Present, describes the wonderful intelligence of a cavalry horse among the Indians, and At Close Quarters With a Giant, is the story of a thrilling incident on a whaler. The Broken Runner Plank is a fine story of ice-boating; Little Ahmow's Fight With the Wolves tells of the bravery of a little Eskimo, and A Little Brave describes an Indiana boy's heroism. Among the larger articles are: The Boy Who Was a King; What Can a Young Man Do? The Most Costly Toys in the World; A Champion Snow Plow for Boys; For the Boys to Make; The Story of Chocolate; Ripe-Swinging—A Popular Pastime With the Cowboys; Some of the Strangest Tenants of a Texas Ranch, and How to Make an Ice-Boat. There is also a fine illustrated page of college football teams. The regular departments are filled with just the matter which will please the boys who delight to do things. In addition there are over 90 illustrations. \$1.00 a year. The Sprague Publishing Co., Detroit, Mich.

#### A Personal Appeal

If we could talk to you personally about the great merit of Foley's Honey and Tar, for coughs, colds and lung trouble, you never could be induced to experiment with unknown preparations that may contain some harmful drugs. Foley's Honey and Tar costs you no more and has a record of forty years of cures.

S. J. Williams

#### Good Medicine for Children

The season for coughs and colds is now at hand and too much care cannot be used to protect the children. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when he has a cold. The quick cure his cold the less the risk Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the sole reliance of many mothers and few of those who have tried it are willing to use any other. Mrs. F. F. Starcher, of Ripley, W. Va., says: "I have never used of what I consider so good a remedy for my children and it has always given good satisfaction." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a child as to an adult. For sale by S. J. Williams.

Foley's Orino Laxative cures chronic constipation and soothes the liver. Orino regulates the bowels so they will act naturally and you do not have to take purgatives continuously. S. J. Williams. 37-5t

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We have sixty miles of sea shore frontage on the most beautiful bays, teeming with oysters, on the American continent. For information call on or address.