

# WALKERTON INDEPENDENT

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It's better to occupy a thatched cottage than a marble mausoleum.

The man who isn't satisfied until he is married isn't always satisfied then.

Hope has been described as a "life preserver with most of the cork out of it."

The only thing wrong with money is that there isn't enough of it to go round.

Few of us have shoulders that will not droop under the weight of imaginary troubles.

A craze for aeroplanes is developing. But that is a business which is liable to frequent drops.

Iceland is eager for home rule. In other words, its people want to be their own ice-men.

Who was it that said the new feminine wasn't to be bigger and more umbrageous than ever?

Every time Alfred Austin bursts into song a series of critical explosions occurs all over the world.

The proper study of mankind is man, but the most talked of one just at present is tuberculosis.

About this time paterfamilias gets stalled with questions from Young Hopeful on school subjects.

Maybe the airship will oust the warship, but it will have to take several feeds of gas or gasoline first.

The man who prides himself on always saying what he thinks seldom succeeds in saying anything any one else wants to hear.

Aeroplanes of the Wright pattern are to be on the market soon at about \$4,000 each. Take a few home to amuse the children.

The Bococtawanankes Canoe club was recently organized at Pawtuxet, R. I. Imagine a girl trying to work that name onto a sofa pillow!

Now that it has been discovered that sweet potatoes make an excellent brain food some philanthropist should work to have the price reduced.

A whistling buoy adrift is scaring mariners on the wide Atlantic. But if it only refrains from "The Merry Widow," et al., may yet be well.

And now some one claims that a girl knows two weeks before a man even admits to himself that she is rather attractive what hour he will propose.

Though it is foretold by aeroplane manufacturers that the battleships are doomed, the scuttling of those impressive vessels will be postponed awhile.

It is easier now for stranded Britishers in this country to write home for money. The same happy condition applies to stranded Americans in England.

Will the broken-down English nobleman who marries a poor girl at home instead of an American heiress be given an annuity from the Carnegie hero fund?

Emperor Franz Joseph still enjoys his favorite pastime of hunting at Ischl, and in spite of his 78 years climbed 5,000 feet the other day and shot four stags.

Andrew Carnegie has now established a hero fund of \$125,000 for Scotland, with listening to bagpipe music barred as a reason for getting in the money.

The navy wants an airship which will float as well as fly. Naval experts understand that it is entirely possible to be in the air and in deep water at one and the same time.

King Edward, though a gracious sovereign, is a busy man, and probably never will find time to make a lord out of our distinguished ex-countryman, William Waldorf Astor.

The Wright brothers between them have established the fact that flight like a bird is possible, but also that it is very difficult. It requires not merely good flying machine, but a good operator. However, says the Brooklyn Eagle, once a man learns how to fly with freedom, he will have thousands of rivals. The human part of the problem is easy, and on its mechanical side it is approaching solution.

Two-thirds of the habitual inebriates under some form of public care in Great Britain are mentally defective, according to the recent report of the royal commission on alcoholism.

This conclusion conforms to that drawn by many thoughtful persons in America. The man who permits himself to become incapacitated through the gratification of any appetite is deficient, either mentally or morally.

With passage paid for and trunks aboard, a family of nine stayed on the wharf in New York and saw their ship sail away for France, because the wife and mother had a premonition that the ship was going down. The ship did not go down; but if it had, how eagerly that foolish premonition would have been seized upon by the superstitious to find cause and effect in what is merely coincidence! Fortunately, most of the things that our vague apprehension foresees are not there when we come to them.

The navy department has asked permission to use the Washington monument as a telegraph pole—not a common or street-disfiguring variety of pole for straining wires on, but as a station for temporary experiments with wireless telegraphy. It is believed that from its top, 555 feet in the air, messages can be sent to warships 3,000 miles away. If this is found possible, an iron tower of the same height will be erected in Washington for a permanent wireless station. The French

# INDIANA STATE NEWS

Happenings of General Interest in All Parts of the Hoosier Commonwealth.

## SPRING FLOWS IN DRY FIELD.

Another Phenomena of Nature Appears Near Plainfield.

Plainfield.—Charles Oursler, a farmer living near this city, was having trouble getting water for his stock a few days ago because of the continued dry weather. Now a flowing spring is furnishing water for 50 head of stock. The spring appeared in the middle of the field a few days ago, bursting through the ground where there was not the least sign of dampness. Since that time there has been a steady flow of water and there is no indication of the newly arrived oasis disappearing. Since there had been no recent rains here when the spring appeared, its origin is a mystery.

At the point where the spring appeared the land is fairly level. The spring has worn a trench in the ground about ten feet long. A similar spring appeared about five miles east of this one, and the nation of its origin is as hard to find as the one on the Oursler farm.

## Farmer Commits Suicide.

Fortville.—William T. Kingan, a farmer, living near here, killed himself with a shotgun in the kitchen of his home while his wife was shopping in town and his 18-year-old son was gathering corn. He was 45 years old.

## Indianians Given Degrees.

Madison.—Several Indiana students or former students were

## UNVEIL HARRISON MONUMENT.

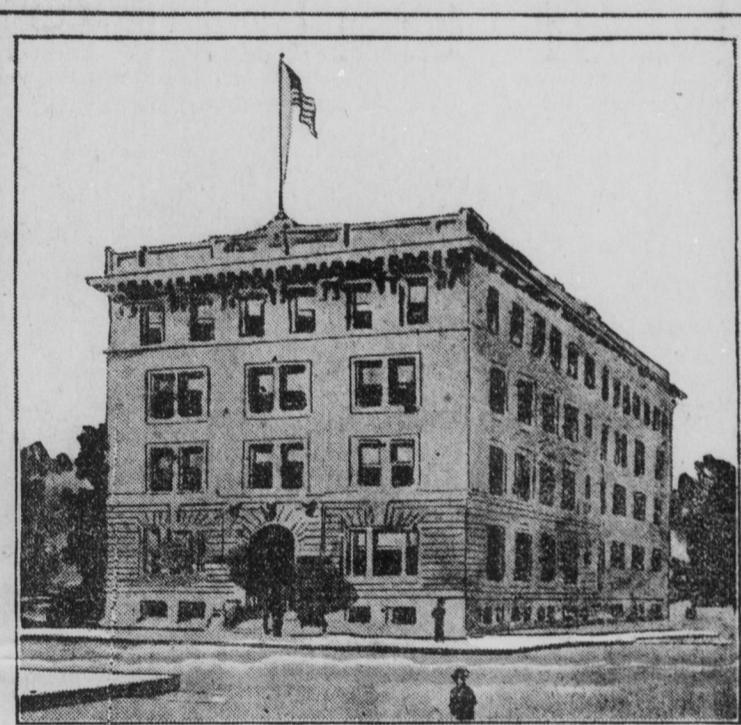
High Tribute Paid to General in Indianapolis Ceremony.

Indianapolis.—The Benjamin Harrison monument was unveiled Tuesday. A parade by the Tenth United States Infantry, one regiment of Indiana National Guard and a number of state G. A. R. posts preceded the exercises at the monument. Vice-President Fairbanks, Gen. John W. Noble of St. Louis and John L. Griffiths of Indianapolis were the speakers. The monument stands on the south end of University park, facing the federal building. Miss Elizabeth Harrison, daughter of Gen. Harrison, drew the cord releasing the flags at the unveiling. On the speakers' stand were seven laurel wreaths, with the name of a department of the government in each wreath. Back of the stand were nine wreaths, each inscribing the name of a state. The wreaths were placed on the south side of the University park. These were 20 feet high and each was surmounted by a United States regulation flag. Each staff represents a state. Between the staffs were rails and above the rails was a continuous garland of laurel.

## Widow Sues for \$25,000.

Anderson.—A claim for \$25,000 damages for breach of marriage contract was filed in the probate court by Mrs. Jennie Lawhorn against the estate of A. J. Applegate, who died suddenly a month ago at his home in this city. Three months prior to his

## RICHMOND Y. M. C. A. TO BE DEDICATED.



Richmond.—The new Y. M. C. A. building, erected at a cost of \$100,000, will be dedicated the latter part of November. The fund was provided by volunteer public subscriptions, most of which were small, the only very large offering being \$15,000 by Daniel G. Reid of New York city, formerly of Richmond. The building is modern and complete. Special attention has been paid to its construction and just as close attention to its equipment. Rules and regulations, with the cost of membership, etc., have been announced and show that the management will be along the lines of the most approved system.

given degrees by the regents. Among them were William O. Lynch, Elkhart, master of arts; Walter J. Kemp, Tippecanoe, bachelor of arts; Moses McDonnell, Brooklyn, bachelor of arts.

## Milk Mixed with Water.

Piercesville.—Nine local dairymen, seven at Delaware and two at Milan, have received notice from the department of agriculture that the analysis of samples taken from the milk shipped by them to Cincinnati, O., September 1, shows their product is adulterated with water, which is in violation of the food and drug act.

## Pneumonia Follows Burns.

New Albany.—Pneumonia caused the death of Edna Hearshel, 13-months old child of Oliver Hearshel of this city. Two weeks ago, while seated at the table, the child pulled over the coffee pot, scalding her throat and chest. A few days ago pneumonia developed.

## Father and Son Killed.

Delphi.—W. S. Cunningham and his ten-year-old son were struck and killed by a Venetia train at a crossing near here Thursday. Their wagon was demolished.

## Youth Strangely Missing.

Warsaw.—Virgil Kitson, aged 17, son of J. A. Kitson of Goshen, came to Warsaw to deliver yeast to a local groceryman and then disappeared.

## Auto Strikes Carriage.

Fort Wayne.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Madden of Churubusco were slightly injured when the auto belonging to Dr. A. E. Bulson, Jr., and driven by him, dashed into their carriage at the corner of Cass and Third streets.

## Rib Broken; Still Active.

Wabash.—Rev. L. L. Carpenter has dedicated three churches in succession while suffering from a broken rib. He has a record of 729 dedications. He dedicated a \$12,000 Christian church at Swayzee.

## Kills Himself Before Boy.

Henryville.—James W. Alpha, living west of Vienna, shot himself through the head. He had been taking his little sick boy riding and the boy says he saw his father have a revolver. Alpha was a business man.

## Newcastle Woman Burned.

Newcastle.—Mrs. Lucinda McDowell was probably fatally burned at her home, and her daughter, Miss Julia McDowell, was hurt when a gas stove

## Refused Citizenship Papers.

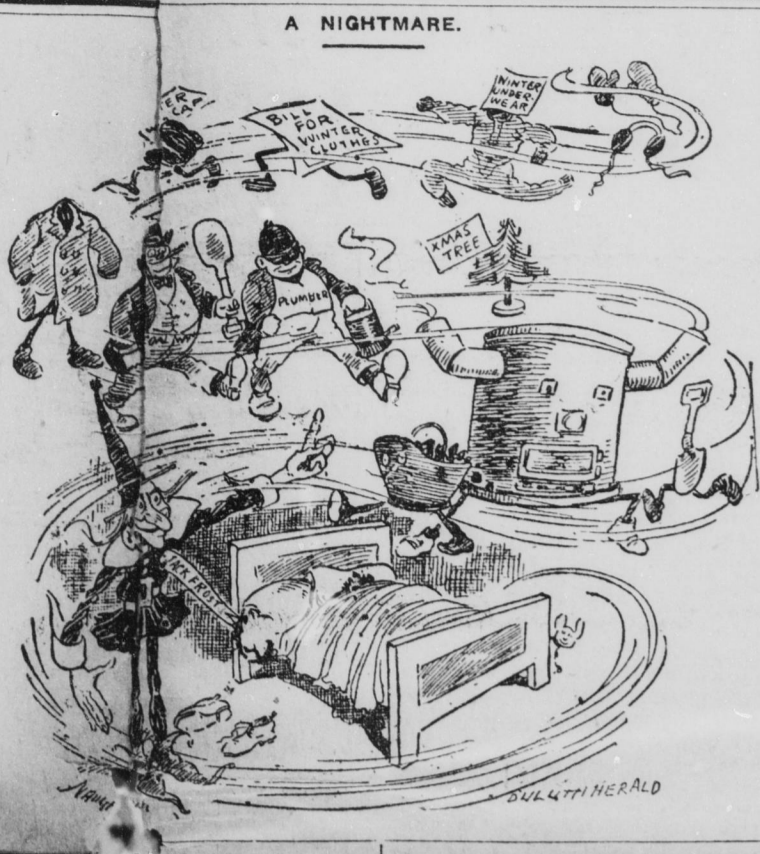
Greencastle.—Seven Italians applied to the county clerk for their first naturalization papers, but were refused on the grounds that they were polygamists in theory if not in practice.

## Dog Causes Woman's Death.

Osgood.—Mrs. Ben Starks, aged 34, was instantly killed while unhitching a team. The animals were frightened by a dog and bolted, throwing her down. She suffered concussion of the brain. Her husband saw the accident.

## Inspects Building Sites.

Bloomington.—Fred Brackett of Washington is investigating the proposed sites for Bloomington's new \$75,000 federal building. There



## TO DEFEND FARMERS' LIFE

"UPLIFT" COMMISSION GIVES OUT ITS ITINERARY.

One-Day Hearings Will Be Held First in South, Then Through Entire West.

Ithaca, N. Y. — The itinerary of the first trip of President Roosevelt's farmers' uplift commission was announced Wednesday by Chairman Liberty Hyde Bailey, who has been planning for the investigation of farmers' life in this country.

The commission will hold its first hearing at the agricultural college of Maryland on November 6. The party will then go south and the next ten days will be spent on hearings in the states south of Washington and east of the Mississippi river. The next day they will meet with the delegates of the Association of Colleges and Experiment Stations. On the night of November 17 the party will leave for the southwest, going through Tennessee and Texas, swinging up through Arizona and into California. The northern and southern states of the Rocky mountain group will be covered. The trip back across the country will embrace hearings in all the states of the middle west. The party will return for a final hearing in Washington on December 18. The hearing in Ithaca will occur about the middle of December.

Messrs. Boardman and McAlpine of the international Y. M. C. A. will be with the party on part of the trip, and ministers and various professional men will be picked up on the journey. The hearings will be of one-day's duration each.

JAMES KERR PASSES AWAY.

Democratic National Committeeman Dies at New Rochelle, N. Y.

New York.—James Kerr, Democratic national committeeman from Pennsylvania, died Saturday morning at his summer home in New Rochelle, following an operation for an intestinal disorder which had made him practically an invalid for a year. His wife and sons were with him at the end.

William J. Bryan visited Mr. Kerr last Monday, and the latter was much elated over the visit of the Democratic candidate, but almost immediately afterward suffered a nervous collapse which greatly aggravated his already weakened condition. There have been several consultations of physicians within the last few days, and it was determined Friday that the only chance of saving Mr. Kerr's life lay in performing an operation.

Confessed Bio Theft; Jailed.

Sac City, Ia.—A county treasurer, Tuesday pleaded guilty in district court to embezzling \$2,000 and was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

At a pre-trial conference of court he had pleaded guilty to the charge of plea.

Storm Kicked in the East.

New York.—Many accidents, one of which resulted in the death of a 12-year-old school boy, were reported throughout the city Friday, the 40-mile an hour storm that had New York in its grip.

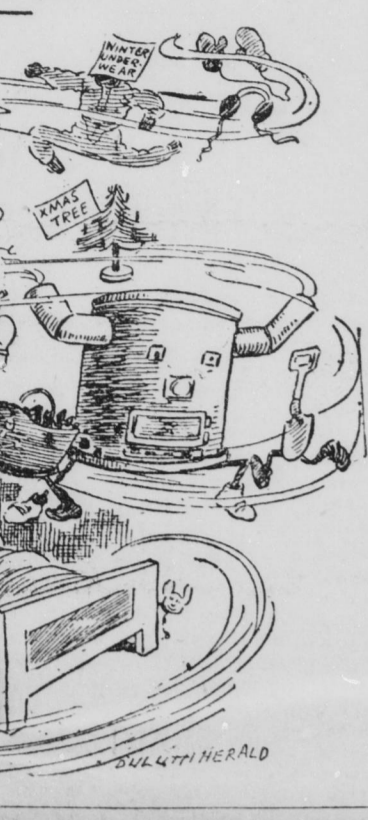
Two Killed by Train.

Bloomington.—William Doyle and William Finnegan of Mason City were struck by a Chicago, Peoria & St. Louis switch engine at Petersburg Friday and killed.

Will Help Catch Night Riders.

Muskogee, Okla.—The Texas and Oklahoma Anti-Horse Thief association in convention here Thursday adopted a resolution pledging its 10,000 members to assist in the arrest and prosecution of night riders. It also decided to memorialize President Roosevelt to stop the shipping of liquor into this state by Missouri and Arkansas liquor dealers to minor children. The association officers claim to have evidence that liquor is being shipped into the state to boys and girls 12 and 14 years

## A NIGHTMARE.



## ROOSEVELT AIDS HEALTH MOVE.

Promises to Make Recommendation in Next Message.

New York. — That President Roosevelt has agreed to recommend to congress in his next message the passage of a law to conserve the public health, similar to the one proposed by the American Medical association, was the statement made in an address before the New York Academy of Medicine by Dr. Charles A. L. Reed of Cincinnati, chairman of the association's committee on national medical legislation. In speaking on the campaign for national health laws, Dr. Reed said:

"On the heels of the various steps forward I am gratified to be able to assure you that the president has authorized the statement that he will formulate definite proposals and transmit them with his indorsement to the next congress. It now devolves upon the 13,000 doctors in the United States not only to back the president in his work, but to anticipate those actions by a persistent campaign in behalf of this fundamental feature of the public welfare."

NEW FARMERS' ORGANIZATION.

Society of Equity Is Formed at Indianapolis Convention.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The Farmers' Society of Equity was organized here Thursday afternoon at a convention of representatives from a number of states. The constitution of the society embodies practically all of the basic principles of the American Society of Equity, the principal change being that all delegates to the conventions of the society must be producing farmers.

The following officers were elected: J. A. Everett of Indianapolis, president; W. E. Creflick of Travis City, Mich., vice-president; J. C. Rous of Indianapolis, treasurer. The directors are: N. N. Ashby of Sebree, Ky.; J. A. Myers of Ramsey, N. J.; R. Sherrard of Kossauqua, Ia.; W. H. Mitchell of Hutchinson, Kan.; L. H. Johnson of Indiana, Ind.; and F. W. Morris of Rochester, Minn.

AUTO ACCOMPANIES A BALLOON.

Thus Aeronauts May Return to Starting Point Easily.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Something new in aeronautics was attempted here Friday afternoon when a monster balloon with a capacity of 110,000 cubic feet of gas shot up into the air with an automobile in the place where a basket is usually suspended. The ascension was made in the north part of the city, the balloon carrying two occupants—Carl G. Fisher of Indianapolis and G. L. Baumbach of Springfield, Ill. The idea of the aeronauts in using an automobile instead of the usual basket is to be able to immediately roll up the balloon, load it in the automobile and return to the place of starting or other destination.

Two Men Burned to Death.

New York, Oct. 20.—Hemmed in by flames and unable to escape from the basement of a business house in Duane street, Henry Jones and David Mahoney were burned to death Thursday night and William Settgast was seriously burned about the face and hands that he will probably die. The men were employed by the firm of Stilman & Engel, manufacturer of

Belgium to Rule Congo.

Washington.—Belgium is to assume sovereignty over the Congo, which has been annexed by treaty on the fifteenth of November, says a dispatch to the state department.

Orville Wright Goes Home.

Washington.—Delighted with the prospect of returning to his home at Dayton, O., Orville Wright, the aviator whose flights at Fort Myer during September held the attention of the world, Saturday left the hospital.

Abruzzi to Wed in Secret.

Naples.—The latest sensation to be reported concerning the duke of the Abruzzi and Miss Katherine Elkins is that the couple will marry privately and unknown to the public in order to escape the curiosity of the crowd.

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## D. A. BLODGETT DIES

PIONEER LUMBER MERCHANT OF MICHIGAN PASSES AWAY.

FOUNDED THREE TOWNS

Was a Heavy Investor in Southern Pine Lands—Attack of Hiccoughs Fatal to Prominent Georgian.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Delos A. Blodgett, for 60 years closely identified with the lumber industry of the country, died at his home here, in his eighty-fourth year.

He was born in Otsego county, New York, in 1825. In 1847 he began work in an Upper Michigan sawmill, finally becoming one of the heaviest timber operators of the state. In 1885 he began buying southern timber land and was one of the first northern men to make such investments. He and his associates are among the largest holders of southern pine to-day.

He founded the villages of Hersey, Ewart and Baldwin, Mich., and was one of the first to demonstrate the value of northern Michigan land for agricultural purposes. He was always a Republican and was a delegate-at-large to the national conventions of 1892 and 1900, and several times district delegate. He was married in 1858 to Jennie S. Wood, and to this marriage were born John W. Blodgett, Republican national committeeman for Michigan, and Mrs. Edward Lowe.

Mrs. Blodgett died in 1890 and in 1893 he married Miss Daisy A. Peck of Atlanta, Ga., and she survives him with three young children. Mr. Blodgett had a winter home at Daytona, Fla.

Atlanta, Ga.—Earl Van Dorn Haskell, a prominent citizen of Atlanta, and a leading official of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in Georgia, died here Sunday morning at an early hour, after suffering for a week with a stubborn attack of hiccoughs. Mr. Haskell was born in Mississippi in 1862. He served in the United States army and for several years taught among the Indians.

BIG PARADE OF CATHOLICS.

Forty Thousand Men of Boston Diocese in Procession.

Boston.—What was probably the greatest parade of a religious character in the history of New England brought to a close Sunday the centenary celebration of the founding of the Roman Catholic diocese of Boston, which was begun on Wednesday last. It is estimated that fully 40,000 men representing the Holy Name societies of the Roman Catholic churches in the five counties which constitute the diocese, with over 150 priests, participated, marching to the music of 100 bands. Thousands of spectators filled every point of vantage along the line of march.

Passing before the archiepiscopal residence on Bay Street road, the parade was reviewed by Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishop William H. O'Connell, together with a number of visiting prelates.

HELPLESS INMATES RESCUED.

Asylum for Feeble-Minded Women at Rome, N. Y., Burned.

Rome, N. Y.—Ward building B of the state custodial asylum here for feeble-minded women was burned Sunday. There were about 150 patients in the building, including the old and decrepit, about 30 of whom were confined to beds. All the sick and helpless were safely removed. It will cost \$100,000 to replace the burned building and \$25,000 to furnish it.

COSTLY HALLOWE'EN PRANK.

Fire in Belton, Tex., Results in Loss of \$260,000.

Belton, Tex.—Fire started by Halloween rascals late Saturday night totally destroyed the Belton compress and 10,000 bales of cotton. The loss will exceed \$250,000, which is covered by insurance. Twenty residences were damaged by the fire and water and 17 loaded freight cars burned, which will increase the total loss by \$10,000.

Towns Left Dark and Cold.

Leavenworth, Kan.—The main line of the Kansas National Gas company, which supplies gas to consumers between the gas fields at Independence and the cities of Atchison, Kan., and St. Joseph, Mo., and which furnishes all the gas used in the two latter towns, burst three miles north of Leavenworth Sunday. The accident left the towns of Lawrence, Atchison and St. Joseph completely without gas light and heat Sunday night.

Crew of Burning Vessel Saved.

New York.—The crew of the schooner Lullie L. Pollard of Philadelphia were brought to port Sunday by the steamer Admiral Schley, having been rescued at sea from their burning vessel Saturday.

Murder Mystery Uncovered.

Washington.—Through the finding Sunday of the skeleton of a man on the historic Mt. Vernon estate, at one time the home of George Washington, the authorities of Fairfax county, Va., have to solve what appears to be a murder mystery. Gatekeeper Vickers, employee of the estate, discovered the skeleton, together with the dead man's clothes, a gold watch, a bottle of whisky and a calendar. Upon the calendar the name "Antonio" was written, and a bullet was discovered among the bones.

Defects in New Battleships.

Washington.—In view of the order of the secretary of the navy revoking the prohibition he recently placed against officers who attended the Newport conference from discussing its action, an officer who was prominently identified with the entire proceeding of the conference stated Sunday that he had substantiated the charges of defects pointed out in Commander Keyes' letter on that subject, with a few minor exceptions. This officer has been foremost in his denunciation of

## I AM A MOTHER



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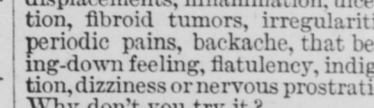
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A Cure for Poison Ivy.

Before the skin blisters scrub the affected parts with a brush and soap and water. Then apply a saturated solution of sugar of lead in 50 per cent. of alcohol. The alcohol must contain some water. Pure alcohol would not dissolve the sugar of lead. This relieves the burning of the poison ivy, and it is supposed that the alcohol dissolves the poison and the sugar of lead neutralizes it.—Suburban Life.

No Time for Details.

"Are you aware," said the philologist, "that some of these campaign orators split their infinitives?" "Let 'em alone," answered Senator Sorghum, "we'll be lucky if they don't split the party."

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