

# Pinckney Dispatch

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## AUTO ROAD RULES

**Auto Driver Is Not Exempt for Simply Driving Within Speed Limit**

A new ruling on the liability of an automobile driver for accidents was handed down by the supreme court of Michigan recently, and will be of interest to every driver of a machine.

The new rules are outlined by Judge Steere, who wrote the opinion, are based on a decision of the United States court of appeals of New York. The rights of the automobile driver as outlined there are read into the Michigan law and are as follows:

"No owner or operator of an automobile is therefore exempt from liability for a collision in a public street by simply showing that at the time of the accident he did not run at a speed exceeding the limit allowed by law or ordinance; he still remains bound to anticipate that he may meet persons at any point in the public street, and he must keep a proper lookout for them and keep his machine under such control as will enable him to avoid a collision with another person, also using proper care and caution. If necessary he must slow down and even stop. No blowing of a horn or whistle is sufficient, if the circumstances demand that the speed be slackened, or the machine be stopped and such a course be practicable to him. Every such operator of an automobile has the right to assume that every person whom he meets will also exercise ordinary care and caution acting according to the circumstances and will not negligently or recklessly expose himself to danger, but rather make an attempt to avoid it."

## George W. Hicks

George W. Hicks was born in New York state, November 6, 1824 and departed this life January 27, 1915.

In 1825 he came with his parents to Michigan and spent his boyhood days in Washtenaw Co. near Ann Arbor, which was then a wilderness. In 1850 he went to San Francisco, Cal., by the way of Panama, returning in two years. March 10, 1853, he married Lucy Lowell and settled in Putnam township where by enduring the hardships of an early pioneer life they built a home where they lived until 1892, after which they came to this village and spent their declining years in a quiet way. Mrs. Hicks passed away about two years ago.

He leaves five children, Henry and Chas. Hicks of Jackson Co., Mrs. Mary Swarthout, Bert Hicks and Mrs. Emma Burgess of this place.

The funeral services were held at the home last Friday morning, Rev. Ostrander, officiating.

## CARD OF THANKS

To the friends who were so kind to us during our recent bereavement, we extend our most sincere thanks; also to those who paid the silent tribute of flowers.

The Hicks Family

Be sure to read the adv. in this issue run by the W. P. Sobek & Co. of Chelsea, Mich. They are putting on a sacrifice sale of \$25,000 worth of general merchandise. These goods must be removed at once as their store was recently badly damaged by fire and trust savings extensive repairs.

## CHECKERISTS CONVENCED

**Pinckney Sparks Made Good Showing Against Local Experts.**

A party of Pinckney checker enthusiasts, including Messrs. Percy Swarthout, S. G. Teeple, E. E. Hoyt, Pearl Smith, William Dunning, J. C. Dunn and R. W. Caverly came to Chelsea via the rapid sleighway yesterday afternoon and last evening pitted their skill against a team of local checker experts, including B. B. Turnbull, J. H. Boyd, W. C. Boyd, Carl Wagner, John Harris, D. W. Caswell and another very important but withal modest gentleman whose name is withheld by request. The contest was played in the firemen's club rooms in the Fenn block.

The visitors put up a strong game and gave the local players a number of anxious moments, but when the final scores were counted the Chelsea players had won by a safe and comfortable margin. P. G. Schaible acted as the official score-keeper.—Chelsea Tribune.

Last Thursday evening King Swarthout and loyal subjects left this little village with fear and trembling, in a big bob-sleigh for Chelsea to play against the sharks of that town. Since hearing of the existence of a checker club in Chelsea, knowledge had sifted out that champions were members of their fraternity and that they were "checkerists" from "Chelseaville."

Upon arrival, the Pinckney retinue were divided into two groups, one group being taken to a hotel and the other to a restaurant where the inner man was well satisfied with delicious suppers, excellently cooked and served. They were then escorted to the firemen's club rooms, where in the presence of some fifty or more spectators, war was begun on the Chelsea club. The fight was furious, excitement waxed high, but at the end of the skirmish the Chelsea "experts" won out by a healthy score. Our local club certainly enjoyed the evening with great pleasure and are loud in their praise of Chelsea "checkerists" as royal entertainers. There are murmurs of a return game in the near future.

## Carry Danger With Them

The State Fire Marshal's Bureau has recently compelled several traveling moving picture outfits to either discontinue giving exhibitions, or to comply with the provisions of the law. A number of shows of this kind have recently made it a custom to visit smaller Michigan towns and villages and give pictures in unlicensed halls. In many instances they are poorly constructed operating booths, and the wiring, exits and many other details are not up to the standard demanded for the better protection of those who crowd the auditoriums to their limit. During the past year the villages of Walkerville and Dollarville were nearly wiped off the map by fires which started in moving picture shows of this kind, themselves not approved by the State Fire Marshal's Bureau and given in unlicensed halls.

Miss Mae Teeple will attend the Junior Hop at Ann Arbor Friday night.



The quick, easy meaning of St. Valentine's Day is this: "Make hearts glad."

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We give you what you ASK for

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## CARRINGTON'S

### West Marion

Mrs. Ella Catrell and son Fred visited at the home of W. B. Miller Sunday.

The Live Wire Sunday school class will give a box social at the home of D. J. Hath, Friday evening, February 5. Everyone invited.

Mrs. Frank Bruff of Cohoctah visited relatives here the latter part of the week.

Mrs. H. J. Maycock and Mrs. Ed. Wellman visited at the home of W. B. Miller a few days ago.

The Live Wire Sunday school class held their January meeting at the home of Grace and Glenn Clements last Friday evening.

The Mite society of the North Hamburg church will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Van Horn, Thursday, February 11, for dinner. All are invited.

### Gregory

A carpet rag social will be given by Mrs. Sobular's S. S. class at the home of W. H. Marsh Friday evening. The ladies names will be found inside carpet rag ball. Refreshments will be served.

Art. LaRowe intends moving here soon in the F. A. Howlett house.

Carl Bollinger has purchased a car, Ford of course.

Mrs. Douglass who has been visiting Mrs. N. Bullis left for Durand last week and from there to her home in Iowa.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mrs. F. A. Daniels at Plainfield Saturday.

Little Francis McCleer won the diamond ring for being the most popular baby who attended the show last week.

Pay your subscription this month.

### A Pig Story

Pat bought a pig last fall, paying seven dollars and a half for it; during the winter he bought ten and a half dollars' worth of feed for it, and in the spring he sold the pig for seventeen dollars and fifty cents.

A neighbor asked him how much he got for it, and when Pat told him he said: "Well, you didn't make much on it, did you?"

"No," said Pat, "but you see I had the use of the pig all winter."—Everybody's Magazine.

### J. Church

Graduate Optometrist, of Howell, Mich., will be in Pinckney, Saturday, Feb. 6th, at the Smith Restaurant. Mr. Church guarantees a perfect fit. All headache caused by eye strain absolutely corrected. Consultation and examination free of charge. adv.

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## Murphy & Jackson's

Saturday, February 6, 1915

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6 pkgs Corn Flakes 25c

25 pounds Granulated Sugar for \$1.49

Sugar and Flour are advancing—Get our prices

# BITTER ATTACK BY LABOR CHIEF

MINE OPERATORS PLAYED FOR HORRORS OF COLORADO INDUSTRIAL WAR.

SAYS JOHN D. JR. IS IGNORANT

Prominent Union Official Testifies Before Federal Commission On Industrial Relations in New York.

New York—The policies and purposes of the \$100,000,000 Rockefeller foundation and the recent utterances on the witness stand of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., were vigorously assailed Friday by John P. Lawson, a member of the Board of the United Mine Workers of America for the district which includes Colorado, when he appeared as a representative of the coal miners at the hearing being conducted by the federal commission on industrial relations. Among other things, Mr. Lawson asserted "a skillful attempt is being made to substitute philanthropy for justice."

Mr. Lawson criticized John D. Rockefeller, Jr., for his lack of knowledge of conditions, and said he was "equally as ignorant and indifferent as his trusted executives."

The witness told of striking miners in Colorado being shot down by militia, "in the pay of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co.," and of hundreds of persons being dumped into the desert without food or water, while others were driven over the snow of the mountain ranges.

"If any appearance of poverty clings to the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co., Mr. Lawson declared, "it is due to its own stupidity and corrupt policy. Had it taken the money it has spent in controlling officials and electorates in purchasing machine guns, the employment of gunmen and in crushing the aspirations of human beings and spent it in wages and improvement of working conditions, they would have had rich returns."

The manner in which the directing forces of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. "handed down power from man to man," Mr. Lawson characterizes as "a chain that no individual can climb."

The Rockefeller foundations investigation into industrial unrest, Mr. Lawson said, is to be conducted by "Mackenzie King, an alien, whose chief contribution to the industrial problem is a law that prescribes a jail sentence for the worker who dares to lay down his tools."

Mr. Lawson announced that he appeared before the commission at his own request.

When the miners heard that the Rockefeller foundation was to be investigated, he said, they thought they should let the public know that "every deduction from their pay envelopes, everything they lost, went into the treasury of the Rockefeller foundation."

### Change Name of Association.

Lansing—Under the name of the Michigan Wild Life Conservation association, the Michigan Association of Sportsmen, to include all county sportsmen clubs, was reorganized at the closing meeting Friday afternoon.

W. B. Mershon of Saginaw was re-elected president. George E. Pardoe of Owosso was elected vice-president; Hugh B. Gilbert of Flint, secretary, and George M. Brown of Detroit, treasurer.

The executive committee of the association will prepare a bill providing for a non-partisan commission to have charge of the state, fish and game departments.

### Gives Life Trying to Save Sister.

Kalkaska—While trying to save her baby sister when their home was destroyed by fire Wednesday, the 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Leach, five miles from here, perished in the flames. Their charred bodies were found huddled together.

The mother left the children for a few moments to go for a pail of water from a spring a short distance away and behind a hill that hid the house from view. Upon returning she discovered the house in flames. She was unable to rescue her little ones.

### NEWS TOLD IN BRIEF.

Farmers who work out their poll tax will hereafter be credited with \$5 per day instead of \$1 if the amendment offered by Representative Lyman C. Root of Allegan, is made a part of the general law.

# GREAT BANKER FACES QUIZ BY COMMISSION



J. P. MORGAN.

New York—The head of America's greatest banking house, J. P. Morgan & Co., was witness Monday before the commission on industrial relations which is holding hearings here. His testimony had to do with the responsibility of directors of corporations in labor difficulties.

# CITY TRAFFIC LAWS GOOD

Supreme Court Decides Against Detroit Man Who Attacked Right of City to Enforce Ordinance.

Lansing—The supreme court sustained the decision of the recorder's court of Detroit, which overruled the demurrer of Donald McGraw, who was charged with violating the traffic ordinance of the city. McGraw is charged with striking Mrs. Howard Pearson, while driving his automobile.

McGraw demurred to the charge on the ground the city traffic ordinance conflicted with the state automobile law. The supreme court held that the constitution gave cities a reasonable control of their streets and that the city had a right to pass a traffic ordinance. It said that all parts of the state law in conflict with this theory were unconstitutional and void. The decision means McGraw must stand trial.

In part, Justice Kuhn's decision says: "In other words, the municipality retains reasonable control of its highways, which, as such control cannot be said to be unreasonable and inconsistent with regulations which have been established, or may be established, by the state itself with reference thereto."

### Mine Sinks English Vessel.

London—The steamship Viknor, recently armed by the government and added to the scout and commerce protector units of the navy, has been destroyed by a German mine, with all on board.

The news of the loss was reported by the admiralty Monday night.

In the past few days several bodies with lifebelts attached have been washed ashore at Port Rush, and elsewhere on the coast of Ireland. Two of these bodies are believed to have been from wrecked hydro-aeroplanes. The others were from the Viknor. The Viknor is said to have carried 21 officers and 300 men.

### STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Fire starting from an overheated stove in a room where cotton batting is kept, on the third floor of Seitzer Bros.' building, Saginaw, spread over two business blocks and three stores and caused damage, mostly by water, estimated at about \$60,000 here Thursday afternoon.

It is Representative Schmidt's contention that the average man's finance are at the lowest ebb immediately following the holidays and he believes that the business men as well as the working men will be interested in having the time limit for paying taxes extended a few days.

Hearing a disturbance in his kitchen in the night, Ed Emery, of Allegan investigated, and found a tall, heavy man devoid of clothing, who attacked him with a water pitcher. Emery subdued him with a poker and then called a doctor. The man gives his name as Branson, but cannot account for himself or his actions.

That Lenawee farmers are making every effort to stock their farms with feeding cattle following the removal of the hoof and mouth quarantine was shown Saturday, when a trainload of cattle was received in the county. Ten carloads from Omaha, Neb., were distributed in Elkhart township alone. It was here that the first case of hoof and mouth disease in Lenawee, Michigan was found.

# PERJURY CHARGES FAIL TO CONVICT

DETECTIVES AND LAWYER IN FRANK CASE ARE FREED BY JURY.

MINISTER IS THE ACCUSER

Testifies That He Received Money to Swear That Negro Confessed to Murder of Mary Phagan.

Atlanta, Ga.—Dan S. Lehon, southern manager of the Burns detective agency; C. C. Tedder, a former policeman and later a Burns operative, and Arthur Thurman, a lawyer, were found not guilty by a jury late Sunday of charges of subordination of perjury in connection with the Leo M. Frank murder case.

Specifically, the defendants were charged with having obtained false affidavits from Rev. C. B. Ragsdale and P. L. Barber, tending to prove James Conley, a Negro, guilty of the murder of Mary Phagan, an employe of the factory of which Frank was superintendent. Frank is under sentence of death, awaiting the result of his appeal to the supreme court, and Conley is serving time for complicity.

Ragsdale testified that he had received \$200 for swearing to an affidavit to the effect that he had heard Conley tell another Negro that he, Conley, killed the girl, and that Frank had nothing to do with it. Ragsdale added that Lehon had offered him \$10,000 "if the thing comes out all right."

Barber testified that Thurman had offered him \$100 if he would sign an affidavit that he also had overheard the alleged conversation between Conley and the other Negro.

# TWO BRITISH SHIPS SUNK

German Submarine Sends Two Merchantmen to Bottom in Irish Sea.

London—A German submarine Saturday sunk at least two British merchantmen—a third is reported sunk—in the Irish sea, the most important water of British navigation, off Fleetwood, 30 miles north of Liverpool, and official London is aroused to foreboding over the prospect of similar raids being carried out, in accordance with the recent threat of Admiral von Tirpitz, chief of the German naval forces.

The Irish sea is of particular importance, because it is through this water that vessels must reach Liverpool, the chief seaport for London. All of the big vessels of the White Star and Cunard lines, which ply between England and America, dock at Liverpool.

The submarine was the U 21; the vessels sunk were the Ren Cruachen and the Linda Blanche. The crews of both ships were taken off in their own boats. The crew of the Ben Cruachen was landed at Fleetwood at 11 o'clock Saturday night. They said the submarine appeared suddenly on the surface dead ahead and compelled the Ben Cruachen to stop by a shot across her bows.

# KILLS FAMILY AND HIMSELF

Millionaire in New York Principal in Quadruple Murder.

New York—Crazed by business reverses brought on by financial depression which came with the European war, Herman Auerbach, a wealthy real estate man, killed his wife, Clara, and his two daughters, Beatrice, 18, and Naisy, 16, and then committed suicide in the family home in the exclusive eight-story apartment house at 386 Central Park west Sunday.

The weapon used in the quadruple tragedy was a .44-calibre Winchester repeating rifle equipped with a Maxim silencer. So effectively did the noiseless device work that the reports of the shots, which otherwise would have aroused the entire block, did not awaken either Lester, the 14-year-old son, or Lottie Schlett, the maid, who occupied rooms adjoining those of the parents and the daughters.

### BRIEFS FROM THE WIRE

Chicago—Railroads of the nation kill 5,538 persons annually—an average of 14 every day—because there are no laws penalizing trespassing on railroad tracks. R. C. Richards, general claim agent of the Chicago & North-western railroad, told delegates attending the eighth conference of the Western Economic society, in an address here.

# MARKET QUOTATIONS

Live Stock, Grain and General Farm Produce.

Live Stock.

DETROIT—Cattle: Receipts, 607; market slow at steady prices; best heavy steers, \$7.50@8; best handy weight butcher steers, \$7@7.50; mixed steers and heifers, \$6.25@6.75; handy light butchers, \$6@6.50; light butchers, \$5.25@6; best cows, \$5.50@6.25; butcher cows, \$5.50@5.75; common cows, \$4.25@5; canners, \$3@4; best heavy bulls, \$6@6.50; bologna bulls, \$5.25@5.75; stock bulls, \$4.50@5.

Veal calves—Receipts, 262; market steady on good grades; common and light very dull; best, \$10.50@11; others, \$7@9.50.

Sheep and lambs: Receipts, 5,103; market dull; heavy lambs not wanted; best lambs, \$8; fair lambs, \$7.50@7.75; light to common lambs, \$6.50@7; heavy lambs, \$6.75@7; fair to good sheep, \$4.50@5.25; culls and common, \$3.50@4.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,836; market 25c lower and dull; lights and mixed, \$6.50@6.75; heavies, \$6.60.

EAST BUFFALO—Cattle—Receipts, 3,500; heavy grades slow, 15c lower; handy butcher grades steady to strong prime steers, \$8.50@8.85; fair to good, \$8@8.25; plain and coarse, \$7.25@7.50; choice heavy butcher steers, \$8@8.25; fair to good, \$7.50@7.75; best handy steers, \$7.75@8; common to good, \$6.25@7.50; yearlings, \$7.75@8.50; prime heifers, \$7.40@7.50; best butcher heifers, \$7@7.25; common to good, \$6@6.75; best heavy fat cows, \$6.25@6.75; good butchering cows, \$5.50@6; medium to good, \$4.75@5.50; cutters, \$4.50@4.75; canners, \$3.75@4.25; best heavy bulls, \$6.75@7; good butchering bulls, \$6@6.50; sausage bulls, \$5.50@6.

Hogs—Receipts, 15,000; market active and higher; heavy, \$7.15@7.25; mixed, \$7.30@7.60; yorkers, \$7.50@7.75; pigs, \$7.85@8.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 10,000; market 15@25c higher; top lambs, \$8.85@9.15; yearlings, \$7.25@8; wethers, \$6.25@6.50; ewes, \$5@6.

Calves—Receipts, 5,000; strong; tops, \$12.50; fair to good, \$10@11.50; grassers, \$4@6.

Grains, Etc.

DETROIT—Cash No. 2 red, \$1.47 3-4; May opened with an advance of 1-2c at \$1.50 1-2 and advanced to \$1.52; July opened at \$1.34 1-2 and advanced to \$1.36 1-2; No. 1 white, \$1.45 3-4.

Corn—Cash No. 3, 76c bid; No. 3 yellow, 5 cars at 76 1-2c, closing at 77c; No. 4 yellow, 3 cars at 75 1-2c, closing at 76c.

Oats—Standard, 2 cars at 57c, 1 at 57 1-2c; No. 3 white, 1 car at 57c; No. 4 white, 58c.

Rye—Cash No. 2, \$1.23.

Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment, \$3; February, \$3.05; May, \$3.25. Cloverseed—Prime spot, \$9.50; March, \$9.60; sample red, 24 bags at \$9, 18 at \$8.50; prime alsike, \$9.80; sample alsike, 7 bags at \$8.

Timothy—Prime spot, \$3.35. Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$1@16.50; standard timothy, \$15@15.50; No. 2 timothy, \$14@14.50; No. 1 mixed, \$13@13.50; No. 2 mixed, \$10@12; light mixed, \$15@15.50; No. 1 clover, \$13@13.50; No. 2 clover, \$10@12; rye straw, \$7.50@8; wheat and oat straw, \$7@7.50 per ton.

Flour—In one-eighth paper sacks, per 196 pounds, jobbing lots: Best patent, \$7.30; second patent, \$7.10; straight, \$6.50; spring patent, \$7.50; rye flour, \$6.50 per bbl.

Feed—In 100-lb sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, \$26; standard middlings, \$28; fine middlings, \$32; coarse cornmeal, \$30; cracked corn, \$34; corn and oat chop, \$27 per ton.

General Markets.

Apples—Jonathan, \$3@8.50; Baldwin, \$2.50@2.75; Greening, \$2.75@3; SPY, \$3@3.25; Steele Red, \$3.50; Ben Davis, \$1.50@2 per bbl; western apples, \$1.50@1.75 per box; No. 2, 40@50c per bu.

Rabbits—\$1.75 per doz. Cabbages—\$1.75 per bbl. Dressed Hogs—Light, \$ 1-2c; heavy, 7@7 1-2 per lb.

Tomatoes—Florida, \$5.50@5.75 per crate and \$1 per basket. Onions—\$1 per 100 lbs. in bulk and \$1.25 per 100 lbs. in sacks.

Dressed Calves—Fancy, 13@13 1-2c; common, \$9@10c per lb. Sweet Potatoes—Jersey kiln-dried, \$1.50@1.60; hampers, \$1.60@1.65.

Honey—Choice to fancy new, white comb, 14@15c; amber, 16@17c; extracted, 8@9c per lb.

Dressed Poultry—Chickens, 14@15c; hens, 13@14c; ducks, 14@15c; geese, 12@14c; turkeys, 24@31c per pound.

Cheese—Wholesale lots: Michigan Bats, 14@14 1-2c; New York Bats, 15 1-2@15 3-4c; brick, 14@14 1-2c; Edam, 15@15c; imported Swiss, 30@32c; domestic Swiss, 18@20c; long horns, 14@15 1-2c; Danish, 15@15 1-2c; per pound.

# IF HAIR IS TURNING GRAY, USE SAGE TEA

Don't Look Old! Try Grandmother's Recipe to Darken and Beautify Gray, Faded, Lifeless Hair.

Grandmother kept her hair beautifully darkened, glossy and abundant with a brew of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Whenever her hair fell out or took on that dull, faded or streaked appearance, this simple mixture was applied with wonderful effect. By asking at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," you will get a large bottle of this old-time recipe, ready to use, for about 50 cents. This simple mixture can be depended upon to restore natural color and beauty to the hair and is splendid for dandruff, dry, itchy scalp and falling hair.

A well-known druggist says everybody uses Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur, because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied—it's so easy to use, too. You simply dampen a comb or soft brush and draw it through your hair, taking one strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; after another application or two, it is restored to its natural color and looks glossy, soft and abundant. Adv.

# WHERE HE WAS HANDICAPPED

Good Reasons Why Smith Could Not Take the Advice Offered Him by the Father.

An amused smile floated over the features of Congressman James A. Hughes of West Virginia the other evening when reference at a dinner was made to the misunderstandings of married life. He said that he was reminded of the case of Smith.

The home life of the Smiths was not always one of roses and sweet singing. One afternoon the elder Smith on calling at his son's home found his daughter-in-law in tears, and on asking why was told the usual story.

"John," sternly remarked the elder Smith some time later, "why are you always quarreling with your wife?"

"Because," was the prompt response of son John, "she is always arguing with me."

"I see," returned father. "You make the mistake of getting angry. Why don't you explain to her in a calm, gentle tone of voice wherein she is wrong?"

"That's the trouble," answered John, with a prolonged sigh. "She is never wrong."

### An Ominous Selection.

A Baltimore man tells a story of a minister who, rising to address his congregation, announced that the subject of his discourse would be "A Man's Wife."

"And now," he added, "we will first sing the hymn, beginning: 'From every stormy wind that blows,

From every swelling tide of woes, There is a calm, a sure retreat— 'Tis found beneath the mercy seat.'"

And he couldn't imagine why the wives of the congregation present all looked daggers at him.—Baltimore American.

### OUR NATIONAL DISEASE Caused by Coffee.

Physicians know that drugs will not correct the evils caused by coffee and that the only remedy is to stop drinking it.

An Arkansas doctor says: "I was a coffee drinker for many years and often thought that I could not do without it, but after years of suffering with our national malady, dyspepsia, I attributed it to the drinking of coffee, and after some thought, determined to use Postum for my morning drink."

"I had the Postum made carefully according to directions on the pkg. and found it just suited my taste."

"At first I used it only for breakfast, but I found myself getting so much better, that I had it at all meals, and I am pleased to say that I have been relieved of indigestion. I gained 19 pounds in 4 months and my general health is greatly improved."

"I must tell you of a young lady in Illinois. She had been in ill health for many years, the vital forces low, with but little pain. I wrote her of the good that Postum did me and advised her to try it."

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The cost per cup of both kinds is about the same.

Postum is made by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

# Dark Hollow

By Anna Katharine Green  
Illustrations by C. D. Rhodes  
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### SYNOPSIS.

A curious crowd of neighbors invade the mysterious home of Judge Ostrander, county judge and eccentric recluse, following a veiled woman who has gained entrance through the gates of the high walled barriers surrounding the place. The woman has disappeared but the judge is found in a cataleptic state. Bela, his servant, appears in a dying condition and prevents entrance to a secret door. Bela dies. The judge awakes. Miss Weeks explains to him what has occurred during his absence. He secretly discovers the whereabouts of the veiled woman. She proves to be the widow of a man tried before the judge and executed for murder years before. Her daughter is engaged to the judge's son, from whom he is estranged, but the murder is between the lovers. She plans to clear her husband's memory and asks the judge's aid. Alone in her room Deborah Scoville reads the newspaper clippings telling the story of the murder of Algernon Etheridge by John Scoville in Dark Hollow, twelve years before. The judge and Mrs. Scoville meet at Spencer's folly and she shows him how, on the day of the murder, she saw the shadow of a man, wearing a stick and wearing a long peaked cap, like her husband's. Until long afterward she did not know that her husband had not worn that cap on the fatal day. The judge engages her and her daughter Reuther to live with him in his mysterious home.

### CHAPTER VII.

#### A Bit of Steel.

"When are you going to Judge Ostrander's?"

"Tomorrow. This is my last free day. So if there is anything for me to do, do tell me, Mr. Black, and let me get to work at once."

"There is nothing you can do. The matter is hopeless. I told you so the other night, and now, after a couple of days of thought on the subject, I am obliged to repeat my assertion. Your own convictions in the matter, and your story of the shadow and the peaked cap may appeal to the public and assure you some sympathy, but for an entire reversal of its opinion you will need substantial and incontrovertible evidence. Find me something definite to go upon and we will talk."

Doubtfully she eyed him. "What you want," she observed at length, with a sigh, "is the name of the man who sauntered down the ravine ahead of my husband. I cannot give it to you now, but I do not despair of learning it. I have got to renew old acquaintances; revive old gossip; possibly, recall to life almost obliterated memories."

Mr. Black, dropping his hand from his vest, gave her his first look of unqualified admiration.

"You ring true," said he. "I have met men qualified to lead a forlorn hope; but never before a woman. Allow me to express my regret that it is such a forlorn one."

Mrs. Scoville rose. Then she sat down again, with the remark:

"I have a strange notion. It's a hard thing to explain and you may not understand me, but I should like to see, if it still exists, the stick—my husband's stick—with which this crime was committed. Do the police retain such things? Is there any possibility of my finding it laid away in some drawer at headquarters or on some dusty shelf?"

Mr. Black was again astonished. Was this callousness or a very deep and determined purpose.

"You shall see the stick if it is still to be found. I will take you to police headquarters if you will go heavily veiled. We don't want any recognition of you there yet."

"Mr. Black, you are very good. How soon—"

"Now," he announced, jumping up to get his hat.

There was one little fact of which Mr. Black was ignorant—that the police had had their eye on the veiled lady at Claymore Inn for several days now and knew who his companion was the instant they stepped into headquarters. In vain his plausible excuses for showing his lady friend the curiosities of the place; her interest in the details of criminology was well understood by Sergeant Doobittle. Therefore, when he saw the small, mocking eye of the lawyer begin to roam over the shelves, and behold his jaw drop as it sometimes did when he sought to veil his purpose in an air of mild preoccupation, he knew what the next request would be, as well as if the low sounds which left Mr. Black's lips at intervals had been words instead of inarticulate grunts. He was, therefore, prepared when the question did come.

"Any member of the Etheridge clan?"

"Nothing but a stick with blood on it. That's all I want. I don't want to see any of the other things."

"She's proof," the lawyer whispered in the officer's ear. "Let's see the stick."

The sergeant considered this a very interesting experience—quite a jolly break in the dull monotony of the day. Ripping up the stick, he laid it in the lawyer's hands, and then turned his eye upon the lady.

She had gone pale, but it took her but an instant to regain her equanimity and hold out her own hand for the weapon.

And so the three stood there, the men's faces ironic, inquisitive, wondering at the woman's phlegm if not at her motive; hers, hidden behind her veil, but bent forward over the weapon in an attitude of devouring interest. Thus for a long, slow minute; then she impulsively raised her head and, beckoning the two men nearer, she directed attention to a splintered portion of the handle and asked them what they saw there.

"Nothing; just stick," declared the sergeant. "The marks you are looking for are higher up."

"And you, Mr. Black?"

He saw nothing either but stick. But he was little less abrupt in his answer.

"Do you mean those roughnesses?" he asked. "That's where the stick was whittled. You remember that he had been whittling at the stick—"

"Who?"

The word shot from her lips so violently that for a moment both men looked staggered by it. Then Mr. Black, with unaccustomed forbearance, answered gently enough:

"Why, Scoville, madam; or so the prosecution congratulated itself upon having proved to the jury's satisfaction. It did not tally with Scoville's story or with common sense I know. You remember—pardon me—I mean that any one who read a report of the case, will remember how I handled the matter in my speech. But the pre-

judice in favor of the prosecution—I will not say against the defense—was too much for me, and common sense, the defendant's declarations, and my eloquence all went for nothing."

"Of course they produced the knife?"

"Was it a new knife, a whole one, I mean, with all its blades sharp and in good order?"

"Yes. I can say that. I handled it several times."

"Then, whose blade left that?" And again she pointed to the same place on the stick where her finger had fallen before.

"I don't know what you mean." The sergeant looked puzzled. Burdage, his eyesight was not very keen.

"Have you a magnifying glass? There is something embedded in this wood. Try and find out what it is."

The sergeant, with a queer look at Mr. Black, who returned it with interest, went for a glass; and when he had used it, the stone he gave the heavily veiled woman drove Mr. Black to reach out his own hand for the glass.

"Well," he burst forth, after a prolonged scrutiny, "there is something there."

"The point of a knife blade. The extreme point," she emphasized. "It is nearly as sharp as the observation-

even of the most critical, without such aid as is given by this glass."

"No one thought of using a magnifying glass on this," blurted out the sergeant. "The marks made by the knife were plain enough for all to see, and that was all which seemed important."

Mr. Black said nothing; he was feeling a trifle cheap—something which did not agree with his crusty nature. Not having seen Mrs. Scoville for a half-hour without her veil, her influence over him was on the wane, and he began to regret that he had laid himself open to this humiliation.

She saw that it would be left for her to wind up the interview and get out of the place without arousing too much attention. With a self-possession which astonished both men, knowing her immense interest in this matter, she laid down the stick, and, with a gentle shrug of her shoulders, remarked in an easy tone:

"Well, it's curious! The ins and outs of a crime, I mean. Such a discovery ten years after the event (I think you said ten years) is very interesting." Then she sighed: "Alas! it's too late to benefit the one whose life it might have saved. Mr. Black, shall we be going? I have spent a most entertaining quarter of an hour."

Mr. Black glanced from her to the sergeant before he joined her. Then, with one of his sour smiles directed towards the former, he said:

"I wouldn't be talking about this, sergeant. It will do no good, and may subject us to ridicule."

The sergeant, none too well pleased, nodded slightly. Seeing which, she spoke up:

"I don't know about that, I should think it but proper reparation to the dead to let it be known that his own story of innocence has received this late confirmation."

But the lawyer continued to shake his head, with a very sharp look at the sergeant. If he could have his way he would have this matter stop just where it was.

"This is my daughter, Judge Ostrander; Reuther, this is the judge."

The introduction took place at the outer gates whither the judge had gone to receive them.

Reuther threw aside her veil and looked up into the face bent courteously towards her. It had no look of Oliver. They were fine eyes notwithstanding, piercing by nature, but just now misty with a feeling that took away all her fear. He was going to like her; she saw it in every trembling line of his countenance, and at the thought a smile rose to her lips.

With a courteous gesture he invited them in, but stopping to lock one gate before leading them through the other, Mrs. Scoville had time to observe that since her last visit with its accompanying inroad of the populace, the two openings which at this point gave access to the walk between the fences had been closed up with boards so rude and dingy that they must have come from some old lumber pile in attic or cellar.

The judge detected her looking at them.

"I have cut off my nightly promenade," said he. "With youth in the house, more cheerful habits must prevail. Tomorrow I shall have my lawn cut, and if I must walk after sundown I will walk there."

The two women exchanged glances. Perhaps their gloomy anticipations were not going to be realized.

But once within the house, the judge showed embarrassment.

"I have few comforts to offer," said he, opening a door at his right and then hastily closing it again. "This part of the house is, as you see, completely dismantled and not—very clean. But you shall have carte blanche to arrange to your liking one of these rooms for your sitting room and parlor. There is furniture in the attic and you may buy freely whatever else is necessary. I don't want to discourage little Reuther. As for your bedrooms—"

He stopped, hemmed a little and flushed a vivid red as he pointed up the dingy flight of uncarpeted stairs towards which he led them. "They are above; but it is with shame I admit that I have not gone above this floor for many years. Consequently, I don't know how it looks up there or whether you can even find towels and things. Have I counted too much on your good nature?"

"No; not at all. In fact, you simply arouse all the housekeeping instincts within me."

The judge drew a breath of relief and led Reuther towards a door at the end of the hall.

"This is the way to the dining room and kitchen," he explained. "I have been accustomed to having my meals served in my own room, but after this I shall join you at table. 'Here,' he continued, leading her up to the iron door, 'is the entrance to my den. You may knock here if you want me, but there is a curtain beyond, which no one lifts but myself. You understand, my den and will excuse an old man's eccentricities?"

She smiled, rejecting only in the courteous refusal, and in the yearning,

almost fatherly, manner with which he surveyed her.

"I quite understand," she said; "and so will mother."

"Reuther," he now observed with a strange intermixture of gentleness and authority, "there is one thing I wish to say to you at the very start. I may grow to love you—God knows that a little affection would be a welcome change in my life—but I want you to know and know now, that all the love in the world will not change my decision as to the impropriety of a match between you and my son Oliver. That settled, there is no reason why all should not be clear between us."

"All is clear."

Faint and far off the words sounded, though she was standing so near he could have laid his hand on her shoulder. Then she gave one sob as though in saying this she heard the last clod fall upon what would never see resurrection again in this life, and, lifting



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her head, looked him straight in the eye with a decision and a sweetness which bowed his spirit and caused his head in turn to fall upon his breast.

"What a father can do for a child, I will do for you," he murmured, and led her back to her mother.

A week, and Deborah Scoville had evolved a home out of chaos. That is, within limits. She had not entered the judge's rooms, nor even offered to do so. Later, there must be a change. So particular a man as the judge would soon find himself too uncomfortable to endure the lack of those attentions which he had been used to in Bela's day. He had not even asked for clean sheets, and sometimes she had found herself wondering, with a strange shrinking of her heart, if his bed was ever made, or whether he had not been driven at times to lie down in his clothes.

She had some reason for these doubtful conclusions. In her ramblings through the house she had come upon Bela's room. It was in a loft over the kitchen and she had been much amazed at its condition. In some respects it looked as decent as she could expect, but in the matter of bed and bed clothes it presented an aspect somewhat startling. The clothes were there, tossed in a heap on the floor, but there was no bed in sight nor anything which could have served as such.

It had been dragged out. Evidences of this were everywhere on the narrow, twisted staircase. A smile, half pitiful, half self-scorning, curved her lips as she remembered the rattat-tat she had heard on that dismal night when she clung listening to the fence, and wondered now if it had not been the bumping of this cot sliding from step to step.

But no! the repeated stroke of a hammer is unmistakable. He had played the carpenter that night as well as the mover, and with no visible results. Mystery still reigned in the house for all the charm and order she had brought into it; a mystery which deeply interested her, and which she yet hoped to solve, notwithstanding its remoteness from the real problem of her existence.

### CHAPTER VIII.

#### The Picture.

Night! and Deborah Scoville waiting anxiously for Reuther to sleep, that she might brood undisturbed over a new and disturbing event which for the whole day had shaken her out of her wonted poise, and given, as it were, a new phase to her life in this house. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

The cigarette habit is growing to an alarming extent among the women of the better class at Ottawa, Canada.

Catamount Robs Farmer. Adam Sterner, an Augustaville, Northumberland county (Pa.) farmer, had an experience with a huge catamount that almost turned his hair gray. He was driving to the Sunbury markets with a load of produce, and was passing through dense woods when he felt a heavy body land on his wagon, followed by spitting and "meowing" that were hideous. Looking back, he saw two big balls of fire, the eyes of the largest catamount he had ever seen. It was pawing at the canvas cover he had over his load. With a revolver, the frightened farmer fired twice. At the discharge of the weapon the cat jumped and escaped in the darkness. When he arrived at the market two fat dressed chickens were missing.

Byplay Minstrels. "Mister Interlocutor, can you tell me the difference between an Irish soldier and a Scotch soldier when fighting in the trenches with the allies?"

"No, Mr. Bones, I cannot. Will you elucidate the difference?"

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Mabel Clinton of Ann Arbor is visiting her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fobey spent last Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kennedy.

Mrs. Roger Carr and son are spending several days at the home of her mother at Vernou, Mich.

Lucius Wilson of New Jersey has been spending a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wilson of Anderson.

The last stone in the new Presbyterian church in Howell has been laid. The progress of the work is such that not many months will pass before the structure will be ready for religious services.

The little town of Brighton is putting on metropolitan airs which leaves her sister villages quite back in the shade. One of her enterprising merchants is putting on "after supper" and "after dinner" sales, in quite the latest city style and they are proving trade getters too.

A letter from H. H. Hause, Adrian, Mich., states that Thomas C. Sellman of Arvada, Colorado, a letter from whom we published in these columns a short time ago, has a birthday on February 25, which places him in his eightieth year. Mr. Hause suggests that the people of Pinckney remember Mr. Sellman with birthday cards on that date. The address is Thomas C. Sellman, Arvada, Colorado, R. F. D. 1, Box 114.

The Fowlerville Review in speaking about a system of water works says: "What shall we do about the matter? Will we get right out and hustle about it or will we simply grunt and turn over for another snooze? Which do you say?"—South Lyon Herald. Pinckney has been snoozing so long over whether or not she will have adequate fire protection that she will never wake up to the live fact of installing a water-works system, until fire wipes her off the map. That's no pipe dream either.

A. B. Cordley formerly a resident of this section of the county, near Cordley Lake has received very high honors. The latest promotion came last spring when Mr. Cordley now of Oregon, was elected to the position of director of the state experiment station, made vacant by the resignation of the governor elect of Oregon. He holds a membership in the American association for the advancement of science, the national Geographic society, the American association of Economic Entomologists and the society for the Promotion of Agricultural Science. He is one of the Pinckney "boys" who have made good.

Mrs. Roy Darwin was a Jackson visitor one day last week.

James B. Craig of Detroit was a guest last week at the home of G. W. Teeple.

E. T. Bush of Plainfield is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. Hudson of Casnovia, Mich.

Miss Genevieve Alley of Dexter spent the first of the week at the home of Will Curlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grieves and daughter Isabelle of Stockbridge, spent last Wednesday at the home of H. D. Grieves.

The Putnam and Hamburg Farmer's club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Chambers February 30.

Rev. Camburne, wife and daughter spent one day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kennedy recently.

Mr. and Mrs. George Arnold, of Gregory, were guests of Mrs. J. C. Taylor several days of last week.—Chelsea Standard.

Mrs. Wm. B. McQuillan of Chilson has been spending the past week with her daughter, Mrs. Gregory Devereaux.

E. W. Kennedy of this place received a dispatch, saying that his sister-in-law, Mrs. Ira Kennedy, died very suddenly at Milwaukee, Wis., last Friday.

Since the advent of the automobile horses have been considered old-fashioned; but they are now able to show the fancy auto how to wade through a three-foot snow drift without skidding.

The Tabernacle revival meetings under Dr. Bromley, speaker and Prof. Wm. H. Meyers, musical director and soloist will begin in Howell Feb. 14, having been adjourned one week.

The state's share of the bill for cattle killed during the fight against the hoof and mouth disease last fall is about \$110,000. Claims for this amount will be taken to Lansing for official approval previous to payment out of the state's general fund.

An exchange tells a story about a hen that was near sighted and ate sawdust, supposing that it was corn meal, then went away and layed a nest full of bureau-draw knobs, sat on them three weeks and hatched out a complete set of parlor furniture.

And now the doctors have put another one over on us long suffering men by telling our wives that women need one more hour sleep than men, which means that we shall have to get breakfast hereafter. It will probably result in several new cooking schools being established for men.

An advertisement in The Stockbridge Brief-Sun says "I am now ready to figure on all of your building jobs for the coming season, either by the job or day, or to furnish or not to suit you.—Chelsea Standard. The contractor above will probably have a rush season, as his plan of furnishing the lumber or not to suit the builder, is indeed an extremely new idea.

A Valentine social will be held in the Pinckney opera house on Friday evening February 12th, under the auspices of the ladies of the M. E. church, to which each and all are cordially invited to be in attendance. A fine program consisting of a one act drama entitled, "Mary and Belinda," an instrumental duet, (piano and violin) by Henry Iaham and son, and other musical numbers will be carried out. Games will be played and light refreshments served. A good time will be enjoyed by all who attend for the small admission of 10 and 15 cents.

Fred Teeple spent Sunday in Durand.

Mrs. W. C. Miller was a Jackson visitor Saturday.

Ed. Farnam and wife were Detroit visitors last week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Smith of Howell a son, Jan. 31.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Mac Martin of Howell, Tuesday, February 2, a 6 lb. boy.

Roy Moran of Ann Arbor and Thomas Moran of Detroit spent Sunday with their parents of this place.

February 16th is the date of the next entertainment on the Lecture Course. Byron Piatt, a Prophet of the New Idea, is said to be one of the most able speakers on the platform to day. Do not forget the date.

Mat Jeffreys of Detroit underwent an operation for appendicitis last week at Grace hospital in Detroit. He is reported as doing nicely at this writing. Mat is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Jeffreys of this place.

A two day farmer's institute will be held at Howell, February 8-9.

Masons take notice! Work in F. C. degree Thursday evening, February 11. E. E. Hoyt, Secy.

Frank Newman had the misfortune to be kicked by a horse on Tuesday morning. A bone in his left arm was broken.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Dixon of this place, a boy, Tuesday, February 2. Mrs. Dixon was formerly Miss Viola Swarthout.

Glenn Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Clark of Los Angeles, Cal., died at his home there on January 28th after a short illness. Glenn was a nephew of E. W. Kennedy of this place.

The total value of the real estate buildings and equipment of the University of Michigan is placed at \$5,844,601.61 in an inventory filed with the board of regents at its monthly meeting today. Real estate is valued at \$481,655.89; buildings at \$3,429,523.33, and equipment and supplies at \$1,934,421.76.

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G. M. Greiner is in Mt. Clemens taking baths.

Mrs. Phillip Sprout spent last week in Stockbridge.

Helen Dunne of Pinckney was a guest of the Ledwidge girls Sunday.

Mrs. Eunice Crane is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. A. Bartou.

Catherine Driver accompanied by her sister Elizabeth of Gregory visited relatives in Lansing last week.

Mrs. Andrew Schivley of Lansing visited her mother, Mrs. Alice Hoff, the first of the week.

Mrs. C. Brogan of S. Marion visited her daughter, Mrs. Max Ledwidge, Friday.

Dr. MacLaughlin of Detroit was here one day last week.

Jack Hayes who was on the sick list last week is much better at this writing.

Fliostoff and Gartrell of Pinckney have finished re-piping the cheese factory and putting in new vats and Mr. Greer of Hamburg is again making cheese.

Deep sympathy is extended Mrs. Crane and son George in the loss of their home which they possessed two days only and it is hoped by all that their loss will be covered by insurance.

Tim Hayes of Jackson was a visitor here the first of the week.

Henry Plummer has purchased the Loree cottage at Patterson lake for his grandson Henry Collins.

Art LaRowe and family are living with Orlo Haues at present. They formerly rented part of Mrs. Crane's house.

Henry Gebringer of Iosco has purchased a fine male calf of M. J. Roche.

Phillip Sprout of Pinckney was a Stockbridge visitor over Sunday.

Duane Lavey of Pinckney spent Monday night in Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Gebringer spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Julia Fitzsimmons.

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Wm. White and son Claude spent part of last week in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Blair spent Tuesday in Gregory.

Guy Abbott visited friends at Webberville the week end.

Mrs. James Hoff of Unadilla visited her daughter, Mrs. Clyne Galloway last week.

Mrs. Bernard McCluskey of N. Hamburg spent the latter part of last week at the home of Chris. Brogan.

Several friends were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Abbott at a progressive pedro party Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Pacey and son Floyd and Miss Gilks visited at the home of Britton Gilks of N. Howell Tuesday.

LaVerne Demerest spent Tuesday in Fowlerville.

Margaret Brogan returned last week from a visit with relatives at Brighton and Chilson.

The annual neighborhood oyster supper of this vicinity was held at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Gauss Thursday night. A very enjoyable time is reported by all. About 75 were present.

Chas. Hoff of N. Marion spent Sunday at the home of Clyne Galloway.

Mrs. Leam Newman of Fowlerville spent the first of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Abbott.

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Prohibition has smitten Arizona and lies heavy upon the land.

The Valley Bank of Phoenix, which suspended early in November, has reorganized and opened up for business stronger than ever on the day the liquid traffic died in Arizona.

The Central Bank of Phoenix, a strong institution with a capital stock of \$100,000, organized by eastern capitalists after the election, had articles of incorporation three days after the election closed and will be opened for business in an "empty building" in the next few days.

A branch of the Anchor Trust Company, of Wichita, Kansas, has been established at Phoenix since Arizona voted dry.

The day after the saloons closed all of the bakers and grocers sold out of bread for the first time and the meat markets were depleted likewise. The people bought bread instead of "booze." adv.

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When you catch Cold, or begin to Cough, the first thing to do is to take Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It penetrates the linings of the Throat and Lungs and fight the Germs of the Disease, giving quick relief and natural healing. "Our whole family depend on Pine-Tar-Honey for Coughs and Colds," writes Mr. E. Williams Hamilton, Ohio. It always helps. 25c at your Druggist. adv.

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**The Hoyt Bros.**

Wm. Darrow Jr. is working for Chas. Morse at Litchfield.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Livingston. At a session of said court held at the Probate Office in the Village of Howell in said County, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1915.

Present, Hon. Eugene A. Stowe, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of ROBERT EDWARD, Deceased. A. J. Gellis having filed in said court his petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine, adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is ordered That four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is further ordered, That the 15th day of May A. D. 1915 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

EUGENE A. STOWE, Judge of Probate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Livingston. At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Howell in said county, on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1915.

Present, Hon. Eugene A. Stowe, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of MARY L. SPROUT, Deceased.

F. A. Barton having filed in said court his final account as administrator of said estate, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof. It is ordered, That the 30th day of February A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the PINCKNEY DISPATCH, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

EUGENE A. STOWE, Judge of Probate.

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Livingston. At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Howell in said county on the 1st day of February, A. D. 1915. Present, Hon. Eugene A. Stowe, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of SAMPSON CARPENTER, Deceased.

Chester B. Dean having filed in said court his final account as administrator of said estate, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof. It is ordered, That the 30th day of February, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the PINCKNEY DISPATCH, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

EUGENE A. STOWE, Judge of Probate.



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## Confessions of a Mail Order Man

By Mr. M. C. X.

Revelations by One Whose Experience in the Business Covers a Range From Office Boy to General Manager

### KEEP YOUR MONEY IN YOUR OWN COMMUNITY.

I have endeavored to arouse in your minds a feeling of dismay at the thought of what you have been doing in sending your money to the mail order houses instead of spending your dollars at home and thereby helping your local communities to prosper.

In unrestricted terms I have characterized the folly of helping big corporations to profit at the expense of your local merchants. I have tried to show you the criminality, against yourself, your townspeople and your descendants, of scorning the prosperity of your own communities and deliberately working against the interests of your own towns by sending your funds to the city.

I have depicted the foolishness of buying from mail order houses when you can obtain just as good or better merchandise from your own local merchants and I have exposed the methods in vogue in at least one mail order concern.

These articles have been addressed to those of you who live in the smaller communities and in the country—where you are compelled to rely on individual honesty among yourselves rather than on the pledges of men who do business with brass bands and pages of newspaper advertising.

Experience is the greatest and the best teacher and my experience has taught me that it is preferable to transact business with a man personally known, rather than with an undefinable concern without identity except as a corporation. In the big cities we are compelled to deal wholly with the latter, while in the smaller cities and towns you can meet the former face to face and do your business direct.

In buying and selling there is no dealer or merchant that does not know that the crooked deals come home to roost—therefore it is the better part of discretion, as well as simple honesty, to give full value to a customer. The dealer in the small town cannot hide behind a corporate name or conceal himself in a private office from the customer who has been fooled. He must face the music in case he transgresses, and he realizes that he must satisfy his customers or he will lose them.

Honesty is bred in small communities and is fostered, while in large cities it is only too often lost sight of because of the immunity that comes with not meeting the customer in person. Clerks and other employees do not bear the burden of reproach and shame while the "man behind the counter" does. These are all reasons why you should meet all your business needs by the means of mail order houses and in case of a complaint from a customer the correspondent as a rule merely indicates a certain form letter.

But in your own home town your merchant meets you face to face and he is always on the job. He can always be found at his place of business and in case of a complaint he is right there to see that you are satisfied before you leave his store. He wants to please you and he will try, sincerely, to please you. He wants to hold your custom.

Now isn't this a much better way to deal than to send your money away to the city? Isn't it much better to deal with a man in your own community, and pay him your money, rather than to send it away to the big mail order house in the city, where it is treated exactly like so many thousands of other orders? Isn't it better to deal at home and keep the cash in circulation in your own community, than to send the dollars away where you or your neighbors will never see them again?

Dollars will breed dollars. Money in your community will create prosperity for yourself and your friends. Keep the cash at home and business will be better all round.

Some of you will say: "There are so many things that I must send away for."

In such a case, why not let your own dealer send for them for you? He is in business. He can get wholesale prices where you must pay retail. That is why he is in business. He must make a profit in order to pay his rent and support his family. He must make a profit in order to be able to carry the things you require on his shelves and counters.

If you need something that he does not carry in stock, just ask him to send in the city for it. He will do so. He will obtain a discount of the retail price and this will allow him a profit upon his sale. You pay to him the same price that you

would pay to the city merchant or manufacturer.

Why not let him do this for you? He is responsible. He will do the business in a satisfactory manner and probably give better service and more satisfactory treatment—probably a better value for you.

Live and let live is the motto that makes the world go around smoothly and peacefully in so far as we mortals are concerned. Let your local merchant live, by giving him the opportunity to make a dollar now and then, and you will be much better pleased with yourself as well as much more satisfied with some of your purchases.

Your local merchant is loyal—he and your local newspaper. Both occupy places that you cannot fill by any service through a mail order house.

Think how you will miss them if you lose them. Of course they are so patient and so apparent that you forget about them. You accept them as a matter of course, but, my goodness, how you will miss them if you find that you must do without them!

But it is such advantages as these that we are, all of us, inclined to fail to appreciate without having our attention called especially to them.

But we must remember, the mail order houses have the merchants in the small towns by the throat. They are waging a fierce battle for the supremacy. If the mail order houses win out it will mean the elimination of practically all of the country dealers and small town merchants.

And when this happens you will find conditions much different. You will then, when it is too late, discover the great value to you and the inestimable convenience of having a merchant near by who can supply your wants without delay.

But the mail order house sweeps on and on. It is grabbing up the dollars with increasing voracity. It is grinding the country merchant down and down until he can hardly make a vigorous struggle for existence.

I believe that these conditions can be helped, even if not wholly removed and done away with.

I believe that there is a remedy for these conditions—a remedy that can be applied in every community, with success.

It would mean a fight—a struggle that would cost some time and some work, but it would bring back the dollars to the country store.

That it would be a success I am confident. That it would win the battle for the country merchants, against the mail order houses, I feel sure.

The fact is, right now, that the big city is growing bigger and bigger year by year, while the small town is growing less prosperous.

It's the work of the mail order concerns. They are milking the dollars away from home all the time.

Stop it—that's the only way. Keep your money at home.

That's the only remedy. Think it over.

### FRUIT A HEALTHFUL FOOD

Food is, Mankind Does Not Eat Enough of It, is Opinion of Experts.

Food can be conveniently divided into seven classes—fruits, grains, vegetables, legumes, miscellaneities and meat. Fruits, the least known, says an article in Health Culture, are the most important. They include tree products, berries and melons. Only 4.4 per cent of the food we consume in this country is fruit. Man "is anatomically, physically, historically, deductively, traditionally and morally a fruit eater." Yet we not only eat little of it, but are restrained from it by superstition that it causes ailments. When ripened fruit is dropped by the plant it is a mass of living cells that form a society of individuals, each independent of the other. When eaten they give life to the consumer. In animal foods putrefaction begins its work immediately on the death of the animal. There is fermentation in fruits, but no "rotteness" until the organized ferments enter through a break in the skin. The subject is a large one and runs to technical analysis that is of little help for everyday use. But, generally speaking, one can stand by the axiom that fruit is a healthful food, one that if fresh and clean should be beneficial and not harmful. Waste products which cause the peristaltic action of the digestive tract form an important part of the diet and one that is usually overlooked. Crude fiber is the best waste product. Fruits produce an ideal crude fiber.

### Airing the Plants.

How many people air their plants? This must be done on all pleasant days by opening the windows at some distance from them, never the window at which they are growing, and so mixing the fresh, cold air with the warm air of the room. This is especially necessary in winter.

### Women is a perpetual paradox.

A woman is a perpetual paradox. A riddle without an answer. She is man's greatest and earliest blessing, yet the cause of most of his misery.

Good Reason.

"Here's a new book called 'Cinders.'"

"I suppose the author wants to be in everybody's eye."

### HAIR OR NO HAIR?

It is Certainly Up to You and Cuticura. Trial Free.

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A woman is never more anxious to hide her age than when she begins to show it.

Smile, smile, beautiful clear white clothes. Red Cross Ball Blue, American made, therefore best. All grocers. Adv.

The man never tires of attempting to lower his record.

## Don't Give Up!

Nowadays deaths due to weak kidneys are 72% more common than 20 years ago, according to the census. Overwork and worry are the causes. The kidneys can't keep up, and a slight kidney weakness is usually neglected.

If you have backache or urinary disorders, don't mistake the cause. Fight the danger. More care as to diet, habits, etc., and the use of Doan's Kidney Pills ought to bring quick relief.

### A Michigan Case

Mrs. J. N. Smith, Chicago, Ill., writes: "While lifting something seemed to give out in my left hip and I dropped to the floor. I couldn't get up for an hour and after that my back ached so constantly. My pains darted through me, almost taking my breath away and it seemed as if my back was being pulled apart. My system was all run down. Doan's Kidney Pills cured me."

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# RATE INCREASE NECESSARY

FARMERS' UNION OFFICIALS THINK RAILROADS ARE ENTITLED TO MORE REVENUE.

Products of Plow and Farmer Who Lives at Home Should Be Exempt From Increase.

By Peter Radford, Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

The recent action of the Interstate Commerce Commission in granting an increase in freight rates in the eastern classification of territory; the application of the roads to state and interstate commissions for an increase in rates, and the utterances of President Wilson on the subject bring the farmers of this nation face to face with the problem of an increase in freight rates. It is the policy of the Farmers' Union to meet the issues affecting the welfare of the farmers squarely and we will do so in this instance.

The transportation facilities of the United States are inadequate to effectively meet the demands of commerce and particularly in the South and West additional railway mileage is needed to accommodate the movement of farm products. If in the wisdom of our Railroad Commission, an increase in freight rates is necessary to bring about an improvement in our transportation service, and an extension of our mileage, then an increase should be granted, and the farmer is willing to share such proportion of the increase as justly belongs to him, but we have some suggestions to make as to the manner in which this increase shall be levied.

Rates Follow Lines of Least Resistance.

The freight rates of the nation have been built up along lines of least resistance. The merchant, the manufacturer, the miner, the miller, the lumberman and the cattleman have had their traffic bureaus thoroughly organized and in many instances they have pursued the railroad without mercy and with the power of organized tonnage they have hammered the life out of the rates and with unrestrained greed they have eaten the vitals out of our transportation system and since we have had railroad commissions, these interests, with skill and cunning, are represented at every hearing in which their business is involved.

The farmer is seldom represented at rate hearings, as his organizations have never had the finances to employ counsel to develop his side of the case and, as a result, the products of the plow bear an unequal burden of the freight expense. A glance at the freight tariffs abundantly proves this assertion. Cotton, the leading agricultural product of the South, already bears the highest freight rate of any necessary commodity in commerce, and the rate on agricultural products as a whole is out of proportion with that of the products of the factory and the mine.

We offer no schedule of rates, but hope the commission will be able to give the railroad such an increase as may be necessary without levying a tax upon the products of the farm. The instance seems to present an opportunity to the Railroad Commissions to equalize the rates at between agricultural and other classes of freight without disturbing the rates on staple farm products.

What is a Fair Rate?

We do not know what constitutes a basis for rate making and have never heard of anyone who did claim to know much about it, but if the prosperity of the farm is a factor to be considered and the railroad commission concludes that an increase in rates is necessary, we would prefer that it come to us through articles of consumption on their journey from the factory to the farm. We would, for example, prefer that the rate on hogs remain as at present and the rate on meat bear the increase, for any farmer can then avoid the burden by raising his own meat, and a farmer who will not try to raise his own meat ought to be penalized. We think the rate on coal and brick can much better bear an increase than the rate on cotton and flour. We would prefer that the rate on plows remain the same, and machinery, and such articles as the poor farmer cannot do to possess bear a burden of it.

The increase in rates should be so arranged that the farmer who lives at home will bear no part of the burden, but for the farmer who boards at other places and countries and who sends his stock in foreign lands, let the price of his folly.

## Business Change

E. E. Hoyt has sold the Pinckney Flouring Mills to a Mr. Hudson of Adrian who will take possession soon. Mr. Hoyt and family will move to Clinton where he will enter into a partnership with his brother, Hugh Hoyt, in a mill at that place. The mill here has been operated under the firm name of "Hoyt Bros.," with E. E. Hoyt as manager.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt have been residents of Pinckney for the past four years and during their stay here have gained the friendship and confidence of all. They are both earnest workers in church circles and Mr. Hoyt is a member of the Masonic fraternity of this place. They are people who will be greatly missed throughout the community. The hand of welcome is extended to Mr. Hoyt's successor by the people of Pinckney.

## A Neat Bank

The little town of Gregory just west of this village possesses perhaps the best bank building and fixtures for a town of its size in the state. Even the bank frontage breathes prosperity being built of a specially prepared stone resembling white marble. The interior walls are finished in oak paneling and soft toned frescoing. The counters and other fixtures are built of quarter-sawn oak giving an unusual solid appearance, which is further carried out by safety-deposit boxes, a screw-door safe and a huge safety vault, the dimensions of which measure 9 ft. square. This vault has solid cement foundations with a tile finish and is absolutely fire and burglar proof.

F. A. Howlett, the proprietor of this compact little bank, is a conservative business man and during the years he has spent in Gregory has built up not only a large banking business, but has at the same time won the confidence and good will of a large circle of people throughout the country.

## West Putnam

Mrs. Mildred Backus and daughter Corinne of Stockbridge spent Sunday at H. B. Gardner's.

Will Murphy visited friends in Jackson Saturday and Sunday.

D. M. Monks and family visited at the home of John Monks Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Glenn were Chelsea visitors last Thursday.

Mary Ellen Doyle returned home last week after a several weeks visit with friends and relatives in Detroit, Dryden and Inlay City.

Michael Dunne of Jackson visited at the home of Mrs. Wm. Murphy last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Monks visited at John M. Harri's last Sunday.

### Painful Ones.

Sister Ann—Did yer get any marks at school today, Bill? Bill—Yes, but they're where they don't show.—London Sketch.

### Unnecessary.

"Did her father give the bride away?" "No, he said the groom would find her out soon enough."—Detroit Free Press

Any one—a fool or an idiot—can be exclusive. It comes easy. It takes a large nature to be universal, to be inclusive.—Ralph Waldo Trine.

### Highly Probable.

The man who said he was "out on a lark" was in reality "out on a swallow."

### Carthage.

Some destroyed Carthage during the three Punic wars, which began in 246 B. C. and closed in 146 B. C.

# FIRE SALE

On the morning of January 5th, our stock of merchandise as well as the building was partially destroyed by fire and owing to the fact that the building was so badly damaged that the interior must be all rebuilt, we are compelled to sell off every dollar's worth of merchandise at whatever price we can get as the repair work cannot be done while there are goods in the building. **We Have No Choice.**

The two buildings will enable us to display the goods to better advantage, employ a larger sales force and give better service in general than we could possibly give in the one building and will move the goods much quicker. An opportunity of this kind comes but once in a life time and it will pay you to supply your wants for months to come. Some goods are badly damaged and will go for almost nothing. Some goods are slightly damaged by smoke, only, and will be priced accordingly. Most of the goods, however, are as clean merchandise as you can buy anywhere and will be sold at about half the usual retail prices.

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