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Startling Evidence

Fresh testimony in great quantity is
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Coughs and Colds to be unequalled. A
recent expression from T J McFarland
Bentonville, Va. serves as example,
He writes: "I had bronchitis for
three years and doctored all the time
without being benefited. Then I be-
gan taking Dr. King's New Discovery,
and a few bottles wholly cured me."
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and Throat troubles, Consumption,
Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by
Newlin Drug Company Trial bottles
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Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel
that every minute will be your last?
Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H.
Newsom, Decatur, Ala. "For three
years" she writes "I endured insuffer-
able pain from indigestion, stomach
and bowel trouble. Death seemed in-
evitable when doctors and all reme-
dies failed. At length I was induced
to try Electric Bitters and the result
was miraculous. I improved at once
and now I'm completely recovered.
For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and
Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the
only medicine. Only 50c. It's guar-
anteed by Newlin Drug Co.

Land Fraud Cases

A United States grand jury in Port-
land Oregon is now in session engaged
in investigating charges against a
number of persons for entering into
a conspiracy to defraud the general
government out of several hundred
thousand acres of land in Oregon. The
names of the conspirators have not all
been made public and the air is full
of conjectures and surmises as to who
they are. The finger of suspicion
points toward several men who have
held and now hold prominent places
in Oregon. Senator John H. Mitchell
and Congressman Hermann are re-
ported as being enroute from Wash-
ington to appear before the grand
jury and clear their skirts of any com-
plicity in the conspiracy. Other men
who are prominent in Oregon have
also been men interested in disagree-
able connection with the fraudulent
transactions. The case is attracting
national attention.

William E Curtis in a Washington
special to the Chicago Record Herald
writes: "Secretary Hitchcock says,
"The persons implicated are mostly
men who have occupied and still oc-
cupy positions of influence and high
standing, both socially and politically.
Several of them are men of large
wealth and powerful connections and
they are naturally fighting desperat-
ely to save themselves from exposure
and prosecution. They have interest-
ed members of both houses of con-
gress in their behalf, and prominent
social lights in Washington, Philadel-
phia, New York and elsewhere who
have appealed to Secretary Hitchcock
and to the president for mercy and
protection. They have tried to drive
Secretary Hitchcock from the cabinet.
If rumor can be believed, members of
both houses are likely to be involved
in the complications before the en-
tire facts are disclosed. It is under-
stood that at least two men who
have been active in the conspiracy
have made full confessions and that
they implicate men of prominence in
Washington.

The president has sustained Secre-
tary Hitchcock in every step he has
taken, and both are determined that
no guilty man shall escape this time.
The secretary says: "Every obstacle
that could be contrived has been
thrown in our way, which has required
time, patience, constant effort, deter-
mination and courage on the part of
those having charge of the investigation
to overcome. The men involved and
their friends have diligently sought
with the aid of the most skillful coun-
sel they could employ to thwart the
purpose of the investigation and control
its results favorably to themselves.
These difficulties have been success-
fully met and overcome, and the
tactics resorted to by the parties crim-
inally involved and by their friends
have been circumvented and defeated
at all points. It has been the deter-
mination of the president and myself
from the beginning that the investiga-
tion should be thorough and complete,
and that every guilty man shall be
punished to the full extent of the law,
and nothing has been left undone to
accomplish those results.

"We Are All Actors"

From our cradles we all have a ten-
dency to act. Small boys pretend to
be men, soldiers, anything but what
they really are. Tiny girls play at be-
ing mothers, cradling their dolls. And
the art of acting increases the tendency
in those who witness it almost as
much as those who practice it. Some
of the most natural acting of the sea-
son will be seen in the new rural
drama, "For Mother's Sake." A story
of New England life, which is sched-
uled to appear.

"I was much afflicted with sciatica"
writes Ed C Nud, Lowaville Sedgwick
Co Kan, "going" about on crutches
and suffering a deal of pain. I was
induced to try Ballard's Snow Liniment
I used three 5c bottles. It is the
greatest liniment I ever used, have
recommended it to a number of persons
all express themselves as being ben-
efited by it. I now walk without crutch-
es, able to perform a great deal of
light labor on the farm."—Newlin
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Portland Markets

Chicken receipts are very large, and
the demand is rather light, and even
at the present low prices, the market
is weak. There is a shortage of tame
geese and turkeys and the demand is
good and prices strong.

The egg market is weak, but there
are no changes in quotations. Al-
though the receipts are not very large,
yet there is no outside demand.

The Onion market is firm but un-
changed and the dealers are paying
from \$2.10 to \$2.25 per hundred, though
the latter price is exceptional.

Fancy Burbank potatoes are in good
demand and the prices grow firmer.

The wheat market remains quiet and
quotations are unchanged.

Today's quotations are as follows:—

HAY AND GRAIN

Wheat, export price.....57c to 90c
Barley, best.....\$22.00 to \$23.75
Oats.....\$23. to \$27.00
Hay, timothy.....\$15 to \$16

BUTTER, EGGS AND POULTRY

Butter, best creamery.....28 1/2c to 30
Butter, ordinary.....26c
Eggs, per dozen.....26c to 32 1/2c
Chickens, per pound.....9 1/2c

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Potatoes per cwt.....85 to 95c
Onions, per cwt.....\$2.40 to \$2.50
Apples, best, per box.....\$1.25
Peaches, best, per box.....60c to 75c
Beets, per sack.....\$1.25
Cabbage, per pound.....1 1/2c

LIVE STOCK

Steers.....\$3.50
Cows.....\$2.75 to \$3
Bulls.....\$1.75
Stags.....\$2
Hogs, best.....\$4.50 to \$5.25
Hogs, feeders.....\$3.25 to \$4.25

LOCAL BUTTER MARKET

Creamery Butter 65 cents per roll.
Butter Fat 26 cents per pound.

OUR COUNTRY ROADS

HOW THEY HAVE BEEN IMPROVED IN
VARIOUS STATES.

Ways and Means Adopted to Secure
Better Highways—Convict Labor
in the South—Some Points on Road
Building.

As a result of bad roads American
farm life often becomes isolated and
barren of many social benefits and
pleasures, and our country people in
some communities suffer great disad-
vantages, ambition being checked, edu-
cation hindered, energy weakened and
industry paralyzed. Every possible ef-
fort should be made to develop a love
for country life, to place the country
people in closer communication with
one another as well as with commercial
centers, to enhance the value of farms
by increasing the profits derived there-
from, to promote moral and religious
development, social intercourse and a
more regular attendance upon the pub-
lic schools and to pave the way for the
telephone, the automobile and the rural
free delivery of mails. The building of
good roads will do all these things and
many more.

The majority of our country roads
are too flat to shed water, says M. O.
Eldridge, assistant director of public
roads inquiries. Without water there
can be no frost or mud, and without
frost or mud a good road is easily
maintained; consequently the chief ef-
fort of the road builder should be to get
rid of the water. This is the whole
story in a nutshell. With good, open
soils and light traffic surface drainage
of the earth road is usually adequate.
With close alluvial or clayey soils and
medium traffic subdrainage must be re-
sorted to, but with heavy traffic and
narrow tires the surface of any dirt
road will be completely destroyed;
hence the necessity of a consolidated
mass or crust of gravel or broken
stone.

Within the last few years several
ways and means have been adopted in
the various states to secure good roads.
Among them are state aid, convict la-
bor, wide tires, bonding, etc. New Jer-
sey now has about 1,000 miles of road
built under the state aid plan. The
state pays one-third of the expense, the
counties one-third and the towns and
abutting property owners the balance.
Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connect-
icut and New York have now enacted
similar laws, and state aid is being fa-
vorably considered by the legislatures
of many other states. In New Jersey
and the other states just mentioned
they have now done away with the
cruel injustice which places upon the
farmers and property which they own
the entire burden of building roads for
the whole people. The difference be-
tween the old way and the new way is
forcibly illustrated in New Jersey.
From 100 to 125 baskets of produce
now make a fair load on Jersey stone
roads. Twenty-five baskets were a
good load on the old dirt roads.

Twelve bales of cotton can be easily
drawn over the stone roads in Meck-
lenburg county, N. C., where formerly
two bales made a good load. One hun-
dred miles of first class stone road
have been built in this county by con-
victs, and from five to ten miles are
added annually. Since the good roads
have been built farm lands have ad-
vanced in value from \$12 and \$15 per
acre to \$75 and \$100. South Carolina
also uses her convicts in building
roads. The roads in South Carolina
are built of sand and clay. Clay is used
to improve sand roads and sand is used
to improve clay roads.

Up to a few years ago some of the
California convicts had been supported
in comparative idleness at the expense
of the taxpayers, while others had been
manufacturing articles that were sold
in competition with free labor. Under
a new law the convicts are now turning
out upward of 100,000 tons of crushed
rock annually.

Lost

One yearling steer, and one yearling
heifer. Both animals branded with
horseshoe around each hip bone. Were
last seen on Indian Creek range. A
suitable reward will be paid for them
or for information leading to
their recovering.

J Draper
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D & W 12-17 12-31

Driven to Desperation

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remote from civilization, a family is
often driven to desperation in case of
accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts,
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of Bucklen's Arnica Salva. It's the
on earth 25c, at Newlin Drug Store.

Coughing Spell Caused Death

Harry Duckwell, aged 25 years
choked to death early yesterday morn-
ing at his home in the presence of
his wife and child. He contracted a
slight cold a few days ago and paid but
little attention to it. Yesterday morn-
ing he was seized with a fit of cough-
ing which continued for some time.
His wife sent for a physician but be-
fore he could arrive, another coughing
spell came on and Duckwell died from
asphyxiation.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat
Dec 1 1904. Ballard's Storeboud
Syrup would have saved him.—25c, 50c
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