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MORE HOLDINGS TO BE CUT UP.

Announcement has been made through the Observer that the George Palmer Lumber Co. has decided to place on the market all of their great cut over farming section in the Looking Glass region. The price per acre is very reasonable and the terms have both the Canadian Pacific railway and Dominion government terms on land beat immeasurably.

The quality of this land is too well known to local people to need commendation or description. It is a land of tame hay, grain and vegetable producing qualifications. It is a land of absolute independence for the man who will buy a reasonable sized tract and move upon it with the determination to make a home. Logged off land some times means a poor grade of land. Not so with the Looking Glass section. It is an agricultural section of remarkable merit when once the stumps are cleared, which is not a very difficult task.

TROUBLE NOT AVERTED.

The National administration has failed to pacify Mexico; has failed to satisfy Huerta; has failed to give ample protection to Americans and other foreign citizens in the southern republic.

It is little wonder that Germany is sending a warship to Mexican waters; that Bryan is writing notes to Huerta and that Wilson is pondering deeply over John Lin's and his mission.

The trouble in Mexico has not been averted. It has been merely delayed and prolonged. The administration still has a problem to solve that is liable to involve a few regiments of the standing army.

NOW THE ELECTRIC SPANKER.

The life of the small schoolboy is just one disagreeable thing after another, according to his way of thinking, and now comes the announcement that some ornery tyrant has invented an electric spanker. He believes that this is going to fill a long felt want.

Teachers have had more spanking to do than they could possibly handle and their arms have given out. The new spanker has been tried out by Prof. Foulk, of the schools at Huntington, West Va., and has been found to be very satisfactory.

The spanker is a very simple device, working upon the principle of an electric vibrator massage machine. It delivers five short but sharp blows per second.

The electric spanker is to revolutionize department in unruly schools, according to the claims of the inventor. No teacher can have the strength to punish the whole school or half of it in a day and if she gets around to two or three boys, she is doing all that can be expected, but the electric spanker is tireless. However, while it may bring about the physical results desired the electric will never have the psychological effect that the old fashioned spanker had. The embarrassment of being spanked by the teacher was what hurt the boy. The physical pain she inflicted, amounted to nothing, but the fact that a woman dragged him out before the whole school and larruped him, hurt his pride and he remembered the incident for a long, long time. The electric spanker takes the personal element out of chastisement and makes it seem like some new kind of physical culture.

PREVENTING INSANITY.

Insanity often may be prevented by consulting a doctor in time, said Dr. Alfred I. Noble, superintendent of the Kalamazoo, Michigan hospital.

Many cases of violent insanity never would develop if patients overcome the feeling that it is a disgrace to seek treatment for a mental ailment. As a matter of fact mild delusions frequently have their seat in some bodily ailment. When this is true proper treatment of the body will cure the mind.

Often a light form of insanity is brought about by unwise habits of life. The strain of modern business and society tends to promote hysteria and nervous reactions. A sensible doctor will tell the man or woman who comes to him in this stage to alter their mode of living and that then they will be all right. Numerous stubborn cases of insanity have their beginning in the attempt of some to work all the time and to play not at all. Others come about through the dissipation of vital energy caused by trying to crowd too much amusement into life. Diversion, as it happens, is mighty good as an occasional tonic, but no good as a steady diet.

In the institution of which Dr. Noble is the head perhaps the saddest case is that of a woman who went insane from a combination of hard work and monotony. This represents the other end of the scale. Visitors who see this woman remark that she looks "tired." She is tired—from a lifetime of scrubbing floors and washing dishes.

It is gratifying to note that Dr. Noble does not agree with those who hold that in a few years everybody will be insane if the present increase in the cases treated in hospitals keep up. The fact is that preventive methods,

even though still only in the beginning, are being practiced more than ever before. We are detaining many who formerly would have been allowed freedom. The fact that hospital records show more inmates does not indicate that society is bound straight for the madhouse.

Paul Poiret of Paris says the lamp shade gown is to be the real incandescent flame of the new styles. Now the suffragist has an excuse to come home all lit up.

A salmon famine is said to threaten as a result of millions of young fish drowning in the Columbia river. Parental neglect is the modern curse—these small fry should have been taught to swim.

Woman's dress may be an "Undermining Race", as a headline suggests, but it is more like an underclothing elimination contest.

A Pennsylvania woman killed 32 snakes in one day. Now if Eve had only been that kind of a woman.

Mildness is promised by Mrs. Pankhurst. You might as well look for an odorless Limburger cheese.

THE LORDS OF THULE.

The lords of Thule it did not please
 That Willigis there bishop was;
 For he was a waggoner's son,
 And they drew, to do him scorn,
 Wheels of chalk upon the wall.
 He found them in chamber,
 Found them in hall,
 But the noble Willigis
 Could not be moved to bitterness.

Seeing the wheels upon the wall,
 He bade his servants a palster call,
 And said: "My friend, paint now
 For me
 On every wall that I may see
 A wheel of white in a field of red;
 Underneath, in letters plain to be read—
 "Willigis, bishop now by name,
 "Forget not whence you came!"

The lords of Thule were full of shame,
 They wiped away their words of blame,
 For they saw that scorn and jeer
 Cannot wound the wise man's ear.
 And all the bishops that after him came
 Quartered the wheel with their arms of fame.
 Thus came to pass Willigis
 Glory out of bitterness.
 —Anonymous (German).

THE JUDICIARY.

Legislature and executive are means given to allow the people to do what they please under certain constitutional forms. The judiciary is a means given to prevent the people from doing what they please. How can we explain the fact that these judicial restrictions are of the very essence of freedom? I answer, because the law of the United States, as defined and administered by its courts, represents not only restraint, but self-restraint, and the kind of self-restraint which the nation must be prepared to exercise if it hopes permanently to enjoy the advantages of political freedom.—President A. T. Hadley, Yale University.

THE SILVER RIVER.

Farewell, I said, sweet meadow grass;
 Farewell, I let the light wind pass
 I watch the shadows one by one
 Farewell, thou gold slow setting sun.

I go within and fold my hands
 Oh, wondrous are the day's bright lands
 And evening's robe of rosy hem!
 But dearer now my dreams of them.

The stars I know creep to the sky,
 The moon will soon be swimming high,
 O light filled pools and silver streams!
 O silver river of my dreams!
 —Atlantic Monthly.

Time to Settle the Clothes Question



Society Brand Clothes

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ARE THE LOGICAL SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM.

THERE WILL BE HUNDREDS OF STYLES offered to the young men this season.—There will be "freaks" that never did measure up to the ideals of refined dressers. There will be fads and novelties—here today and gone tomorrow.

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If Your Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers You, Drink Lots of Water.

When your kidneys hurt and your back feels sore, don't get scared and proceed to load your stomach with a lot of drugs that excite the kidneys and irritate the entire urinary tract. Keep your kidneys clean like you keep your bowels clean, by flushing them with a mild, harmless salts which removes the body's urinous waste and stimulates them to their normal activity. The function of the kidneys is to filter the blood. In 24 hours they strain from it 500 grains of acid and waste, so we can readily understand the vital importance of keeping the kidneys active.

Drink lots of water—you can't drink too much; also get from any pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning for

a few days and your kidneys will act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate clogged kidneys; also to neutralize the acid in urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to keep their kidneys clean and active. Try this, also keep up the water drinking, and no doubt you will wonder what became of your kidney trouble and back-ache.

**THE DEAF CAN HEAR
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The Audiphone and Electriphone with the latest instantaneous adjustment. It is almost humanly sensitive to sound and revives at once keen, distinct aided hearing to those who are almost totally deaf. W. H. Izett, the San Francisco manager, will be at Hotel Foley two days only, Friday and Saturday, October 17th and 18th. You have an opportunity of a lifetime to test without expense these wonderful instruments, which have made thousands of deaf people happy. You will not be asked to buy. Call and bring your friends. Stoiz Electrophone Co., 619 Phalan Bldg., San Francisco, California.

ON THE BIRTH OF A CHILD.

Lo, to the battle ground of life,
 Child, you have come, like a conquering shout,
 Out of a struggle into strife,
 Out of the darkness into doubt.

Girt with the fragile armor of youth,
 Child, you must ride into endless wars

With the sword of protest, the buckler of truth
 And a banner of love to sweep the stars!

About you the world's despair will surge,
 Into defeat you must plunge and grope

Be to the faltering an urge;
 Be to the hopeless years a hope!

Be to the darkened world a flame;
 Be to its unconcern a blow.

For out of its pain and tumult you came,
 And into its tumult and pain you go
 —Louis Untermeyer in Independent Magazine

KIND WORDS.

Kind words are the music of the world. They have a power which seems to be beyond natural causes, as if they were some angel's song, which had lost its way and come on earth. It seems as if they could almost do what in reality God alone can do—soften the hard and angry thoughts of men. No one was ever corrected by a sarcasm; crushed, perhaps, if the sarcasm was clever enough, but drawn nearer to God—never.—F. W. Far

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