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ALCOHOL

Portable Home Distilleries Sold in 1860 for \$35

Windfall apples and other fruits, and unmerchantable grains and potatoes are capable of making good alcohol, and the apparatus for making it may be very simple and cheap, says Farm, Stock and Home.

In 1860 a portable home distillery was invented that sold at a big profit for \$30 to \$35, and was capable of making eight to ten gallons of "spirits" a day. The device was selling very rapidly and doing satisfactory work, when the imposition of the heavy tax on alcohol, and the restriction of its manufacture to large distilleries, whose operations could be under the eye of a government inspector, destroyed the business of the home "stills" and they passed out of use and mind.

Possibly in the administration of the new alcohol law that goes into effect next January, which is left largely to the ruling of officials, the use of such home stills may be forbidden, but their practicability and utility remain, for those points have been demonstrated. It can hardly be expected however, that all the possibilities of this innovation will be realized at once. A good beginning has been made, and that gives assurance of satisfactory results ultimately.

Wanted to Come Back

The story is going the rounds of two people who died and went to heaven. Meeting St. Peter at the gate they asked to be taken through the celestial kingdom.

After seeing the many beautiful sights they came to one of the finest parts of the heaven to rest. Here were a large number of people assembled, who looked anything but happy. And to the astonishment of the newcomers they each had a large ball and chain attached to their feet.

Turning to St. Peter they inquired who these people were, whether they had committed some great crime, or why they were found in such a condition.

St. Peter then informed them that these people were of the very best, but they came from Oregon and that was the only way they could keep them from going back.

This story calls to mind the one about the editor who had died, and wanted to be shown the sights of Hades before he went to heaven. His Satanic majesty obligingly granted the request and took him through. As they went the rounds they saw people suffering all kinds of torments, and finally they came to a place that was particularly warm. Many people were here suffering the worst punishment of any he had yet seen. Looking overhead he saw a large sign in letters of fire which read, "Delinquent Subscribers."

Telling Satan he would like to remain here awhile, he seated himself comfortably and fanned himself while he watched with the greatest enjoyment the sufferers in the cauldron of fire.

After a little Satan returned and told him it was time he was going to heaven.

"You go on," said the editor, as he helped himself to a large piece of ice, "This is heaven enough for me." —Exchange.

The Town's Dead Beat

The following from an exchange is appropriate: It must be mighty uncomfortable to be a town deadbeat. The deadbeat may not know it but he has a yellow streak down his back that causes the street lights to turn pale when he passes beneath them. Everybody has him spotted. He is detested by his neighbors, and treated with silent contempt by the public. The deadbeat thinks he has friends, but he hasn't. But the old deadbeat lives on. He smokes all the cigars and drinks all the whiskey he can burn off the saloon keeper or the stranger. After a while he comes to die and people say: "Well, the old sinner is dead. He is sweating for his worthlessness." There is a difference between a deadbeat and a thief, but it is all in favor of the thief.

Ladies!

If you wish weaving done, bring it in this winter, as I will not weave in the hot weather. Mrs. S. M. Warner, 401 Tacoma st., St. Johns, Ore.

DEATH

Of a Former St. Johns Lady at Medical Lake, Wash.

Mrs. G. A. Flanders died at Medical Lake, Wash., Sunday last, after a prolonged illness with tuberculosis of the bowels. Mrs. Flanders was formerly a resident of St. Johns, having come here in 1903 and remaining until a couple of months ago. She was born in Oconowoc, Wis., in 1860, and came to St. Johns at the time stated for the benefit of her health, but the change of climate came too late to be of any material benefit. Deceased was a consistent christian lady and had made many friends during her short residence here who are sorry to learn of her death. A husband, three children and two sisters, Mrs. Vanver of this place and Mrs. Locke of Sellwood, survive her.

Funeral services were held in the Lutheran church at Medical Lake and interment took place at Spokane, Wash.

Nothing If Not Original.

Mr. Editor: Can you tell me what Mrs. Duniway means when she calls the women whom she is addressing as the "mothers of men?" I wonder who else or what else they could be "mothers" of, if not of men and women? Certainly not of birds or fish or animals. Especially does this remark not apply to women who claim to be suffragists, for there are few women in the ranks of that order, whether married or single, who are the "mothers" of anything. There are a few exceptions, such as Mrs. Duniway herself, who are mothers, but she is almost alone in a suffrage convention. The rank and file of suffragists know nothing about the pure joys of motherhood. A suffrage convention is generally composed of old maids, grass widows and women who are not and never intend to be the "mothers of men."

Mrs. Duniway in her capacity of president speaks of the officials who surround her as "My Cabinet." Save the mark! "My Cabinet!" After this she will be able to get a name for anything. Observer.

Nibbling at the Heels of Hercules.

Editor Review: Senator Charles W. Fulton when asked what he had to say about the charges preferred against him by Senator LaFollette replied: "It is a waste of lather to shave an ass"—one of the oldest and stalest sarcasms to be found in literature. This coming from Charles Fulton against such a man as Senator LaFollette is unquestionably rich. Why, you could scrape more intellect from under LaFollette's fingernails than is contained in Fulton's body. It is really amusing to hear an Oregon mouse threatening to shave a Wisconsin lion. We'll venture to say, however, that the mouse will never attempt the operation lest the lion might accidentally lay his paw upon him. Independent Republican, Portland, Oregon.

Enjoyable Organization.

For genuine pleasure it would be hard to find any organization doing more in that line than the M. E. Aid society of St. Johns. Last Friday evening they gave a high class supper at the beautiful home of E. C. Hulbert. The low price of the supper was out of proportion to its excellence. After supper a social hour was enjoyed. The roses, grown in November, from St. Johns gardens were a source of wonder, and there were other superb floral decorations. Last Wednesday the society had a novel all day meeting at the home of Mrs. E. L. Day. The ladies repaired to the attic, where they did quilting and ate their lunches.

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