Pinkham Facts

Mrs. Pinkham personally attends to her tremendous correspondence with suffering women.

Her trained assistants are all women.

The letters from women are opened by women only.

They are read by women only.

They are answered by women and only women.

The correspondence is sacredly confidential.

Write for a book Mrs. Pinkham has just published which contains letters from the mayor of Lynn, the postmaster of Lynn and others of her own city who have made careful investigation.

Mrs. Pinkham has helped a million women who suffered with female troubles. She can cure YOU. Her address is Lynn, Mass.

A Confederate's Idea.

"To succeed in war," General Miles observes, "is to get ready before you commence hostilities." One of the confederate generals in 1861 said his idea of success was "to get there fustest with the mostest."—Detroit Free Press.

SHAKE INTO YOUR SHOES

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, nervous feet, and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for Ingrowing Nails, sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. We have over 30,000 testimonials. Try it *today*. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25c. in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

No able-bodied men need be idle in New Zealand. The government gives every applicant work, and pays him the rate of $2 a day.

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OREGON BLOOD PURIFIER

A popular remedy for the bite of a mad dog, at the beginning of the 19th century was for the victim to take an ounce of the pulverized jawbone of the dog that had bitten him. After the administration of this remedy the animal was never known to bite any one.

Rifle clubs are being formed all over France to perfect the members in marksmanship. The system is in imitation of the custom so long practiced by the Boers, who instruct even their children in the use of firearms.

An Excellent Combination.

The pleasant method and beneficial effects of the well known remedy, SYRUP OF FIGS, manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO., illustrate the value of obtaining the liquid laxative principles of plants known to be medicinally laxative and presenting them in the form most refreshing to the taste and acceptable to the system. It is the one perfect strengthening laxative, cleansing the system effectually, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers gently yet promptly and enabling one to overcome habitual constipation permanently. Its perfect freedom from every objectionable quality and substance, and its acting on the kidneys, liver and bowels, without weakening or irritating them, make it the ideal laxative.

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PACIFIC COAST NEWS

Commercial and Financial Happenings of Interest in the Growing Western States.

Coal for Market.

In the country surrounding Stella, Cowlitz county, Wash., it has been known for a number of years that croppings of coal have been discovered, and some prospecting and development work have been done. The coal assayed well, and it was comparatively easy of access, but for some reason it was found difficult to interest capital sufficient to mine and ship the coal on a large enough scale to make it profitable, and the man who owned the most valuable properties in that locality had not the means to do so himself. About six months ago the following capitalists of The Dalles became interested in the property: Hon. Malcolm A. Moody, J. M. French, J. B. McInerny and J. Nicholas. They employed a practical mining engineer who had had experience in this character of work, and had a thorough inspection of the properties made. The result was that they formed a company giving the owner of the land a half interest in paid-up, non-assessable stock, while they agreed to furnish all the money necessary. They purchased machinery of the latest design in the East, and most of it has arrived and been set up. It is the expectation of the company to have coal from its mine on the market within 60 days of a quality equal to any that is now used in the Northwest, and at a price very much below that at which it is now sold. In carrying out their present plans they will build a railroad from Stella, four miles up Cold creek to where the mine is located.

The Big Buffalo Sold.

One of the most important mining deals ever made in the Northwest, whereby the former Big Buffalo mine at Buffalo Hump becomes the property of Charles Sweeney, the Spokane capitalist, has been consumated at Grangeville, Idaho. The sale embraces the Bert Rigley, Young and Robbins interests, representing one-half of the mine, for $125,000 cash. Sweeney had previously secured the other interests for which he paid about $75,000. The deal on the property has been pending many months.

New Blue River Ledge.

The newly discovered quartz prospects on the Blue river, Or., reported about two weeks ago, are attracting a great deal of attention. Miners and prospectors are heading that way from all directions, and already a lively mining camp is there. The discovery is in the vicintiy of Blue river falls, several miles northwest of the old Blue river mining camp. It is easily accessible by a horse trail from the main road up the McKinzie, and no difficulty is experienced by miners taking in supplies.

To Plant Tomatoes.

The Davidson Fruit Company, at Hood River, Or., has furnished about 75,000 tomato plants to farmers who are going into the business of growing tomatoes for the cannery. P. F. Bradford has the supervision of the growing of the plants, and has visited the farmers and given instructions about setting the plants. The plants are furnished free and the farmers have engaged to plant about 30 acres for the fruit company. Next season if 100 acres of peas can be secured, the company will put in machinery to hull and can green peas.

Mohair Pool Sold.

A pool comprising 2,931 fleeces of mohair has been sold at Corvallis, Or. The purchasers were F. L. Miller and S. L. Kline, merchants of that place, and the price paid was 28 cents per pound. The total weight of the lot would be about 10,000. The pool is the second of the kind sold there this season. A former lot of almost the same number of fleeces sold recently at 28¼ cents per pound.

Northwest Notes.

Fred E. Wilmarth has purchased an interest in the Burns, Or. News.

A new saw mill will soon begin operations at Alba, Umatilla county.

The material for the Fossil, Or., waterworks, weighing 100 tons, will be hauled from Arlington by team.

The new bridge crossing the Coquille river at Myrtle Point has been completed and opened to traffic. It is the best bridge in Coos county.

The Sugar Leaf Creamery, Coos county, has resumed operations. It will handle 10,000 to 15,000 pounds of milk daily as soon as the roads are good, and will make cheese principally.

George Snodderly, a pioneer of Grant county, Or., died at Long Creek. He was 69 years of age, and went to the Canyon creek mines in 1860. The body was taken to Susanville for burial.

Field Superintendent Larson, of the La Grande beet sugar factory, reports that there is a total of 700 acres of beets planted and the ground is prepared for seeding 800 acres more.

J. F. Birney, of Everett, Wash., has gone to Snohomish to survey a logging camp for Campbell Bros., on Batt's slough, where 700 acres of timber will be handled.

At a Port Townsend custom house sale of seized goods, consisting of silks, cigars and opium, the principal bidders were Chinese, and the opium brought $10.50 a pound, the regular market price.

Over 500,000 shingles were floating in the bay and strewn along the beach at Port Townsend as a result of the capsizing of the scow towed from Dungeness with 1,000,000 shingles on board. Many have been recovered, but the loss will be heavy.

A cattle buyer was on the Lower Coquille river the past week buying and contracting for calves and young stock for parties in Fresno county, California. He made contracts for some 600 head of calves at $8 per head, to be delivered the first of September.

The Republic company has 52 teams, many of them six horses, on the road freighting from Republic to Columbia, B. C. A six horse outfit hauls 8,000 pounds, and makes the round trip in five days.

There are 219 national banks in operation in Illinois.

SITUATION IS FAVORABLE.

There Are Bad Features, But they Are in the Minority.

Bradstreet's says: Evidences of the fact that there are now two sides of the general trade situation, where for a year past there was but one, come to sight this week. Different sections of the country and lines of business return different reports, but that the situation as a whole is a favorable one and suffers merely by commisseration with the enormous and almost fevrish activity of some time ago, is also evident. Excluding the great speculative centers, the aggregate of business is undoubtedly larger than a year ago, and the business done in several industries reporting reduced activity would seem very large even to those bearishly inclined had it not been for the enormous aggregate done some short time ago.

Crop prospects, except in the wheat area of the Central West, and in some flooded sections of the South, remain all that might be wished for. Retail demand is improving and nothing of a definitely depressing character has yet developed.

In the abrupt readjustment of steel and wire prices, the iron and steel industries received a notable shock, but have stood the ordeal very well.

In agricultural products the situation is generally one of sustained strength. Some slight shading in wheat prices is largely the result of flattering winter wheat crop prospects in the sections west of the Mississippi.

Wheat, including flour shipments, for the week aggregate 3,583,683 bushels, against 3,898,451 last week.

Failures for the week in the United States are well down to the minimum, numbering only 182, an increase of 21 over last week.

Canadian failures for the week number 18, as compared with 19 last week.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets.

Onions, $9.

Lettuce, hot house, 40@45c doz.

Potatoes, $16@17; $17@18.

Beets, per sack, 50@60c.

Turnips, per sack, 40@60c.

Carrots, per sack, 75@85c.

Parsnips, per sack, 50@75c.

Cauliflower, California 85@90c.

Cabbage, native and California, $1.00@1.25 per 100 pounds.

Apples, $2.00@2.75; $3.00@3.50.

Prunes, 60c per box.

Butter—Creamery, 22c; Eastern 22c; dairy, 17@22c; ranch, 15@17c pound.

Eggs—15@16c.

Cheese—14@15c.

Poultry—14c; dressed, 14@15c; spring, $5.

Hay—Puget Sound timothy, $11.00@12.00; choice Eastern Washington timothy, $18.00@19.00

Corn—Whole, $23.00; cracked, $23; feed meal, $23.

Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, $20.

Flour—Patent, per barrel, $3.25; blended straights, $3.00; California, $3.25; buckwheat flour, $6.00; graham, per barrel, $3.00; whole wheat flour, $3.00; rye flour, $3.80@4.00.

Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, $13.00; shorts, per ton, $14.00.

Feed—Chopped feed, $19.00 per ton; middlings, per ton, $20; oil cake meal, per ton, $30.00.

Fresh Meats—Choice dressed beef steers, price 8c; cows, 7c; mutton 8c; pork, 8c; trimmed, 9c; veal, 8½@10c.

Hams—Large, 13c; small, 13¼; breakfast bacon, 12½c; dry salt sides, 8c.

Portland Market.

Wheat — Walla Walla, 52@53c; Valley, 53c; Bluestem, 56c per bushel.

Flour—Best grades, $3.00; graham, $2.50; superfine, $2.10 per barrel.

Oats—Choice white, 35c; choice gray, 34c per bushel.

Barley—Feed barley, $14@14.50; brewing, $17.00@17.50 per ton.

Millstuffs—Bran, $13 per ton; middlings, $19; shorts, $15; chop, $14 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, $9@10; clover, $7@7.50; Oregon wild hay, $6@7 per ton.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 35@40c; seconds, 45c; dairy, 25@30c; store, 20@25c.

Eggs—14c per dozen.

Cheese—Oregon full cream, 13c; Young America, 14c; new cheese 10c per pound.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, $3.50@4.50 per dozen; hens, $5.00; springs, $2.50@3.50; geese, $6.50@8.00 for old; $4.50@6.50; ducks, $5.50@6.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 10@11c per pound.

Potatoes—40@70c per sack; sweets, 2@2¼c per pound.

Vegetables—Beets, $1; turnips, 75c; per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cabbage, 1½c per pound; parsnips, 75; onions, $2.50@3.00; carrots, 50c.

Hops—3@8c per pound

Wool—Valley, 12@13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 10@15c; mohair, 27@30c per pound.

Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 3¾c; dressed mutton, 7@7½c per pound; lambs, $2.50 each.

Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, $5.00; light and feeders, $4.50; dressed, $5.00@6.50 per 100 pounds.

Beef—Gross, top steers, $4.00@4.50; cows, $3.50@4.00; dressed beef, 6½@7¾c per pound.

Veal—Large, 6½@7½c; small, 8@8½c per pound.

Tallow—5@5½c; No. 2 and grease, 3½@4c per pound.

San Francisco Market.

Wool—Spring—Nevada, 14@16c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@16c; Valley, 20@22c; Northern, 10@12c.

Hops—1899 crop, 11@13c per pound.

Butter — Fancy creamery 18c; do seconds, 17@17½c; fancy dairy, 17c; do seconds, 15@16c per pound.

Eggs—Store, 15c; fancy ranch, 17c.

Millstuffs — Middlings, $17.00@20.00; bran, $12.50@13.50.

Hay—Wheat $6.50@9.50; wheat and oat $6.00@9.00; best barley $5.00@7.00; alfalfa, $5.00@6.50 per ton; straw, 25@40c per bale.

Potatoes—Early Rose, 60@65c; Oregon Burbanks, 70c@$1.00; river Burbanks, 40@75c; Salinas Burbanks, 80c@1.10 per sack.

Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, $2.75@3.25; Mexican limes, $4.00@5.00; California lemons 75c@$1.50; do choice $1.75@2.00 per box.

Tropical Fruits—Bananas, $1.50@2.50 per bunch; pineapples, nominal; Persian dates, 6@6½c per pound.

TOO MUCH INTRODUCING.

What an Englishman Has to Say About Our Method.

"It took me some time to grasp the American point of view in regard to letters of introduction," said an English traveler, chatting over American characteristics. "When we give a man a letter of introduction at home, we consider that we are vouching for him socially, financially and every other way, so, needless to say, it is never done except among relatives or the closest friends. Here you don't seem to take the thing seriously. When I was in Washington last week I was introduced to a very pleasant gentleman in the real estate business, and chanced to mention that I was going to Nashville next day. 'Oh, indeed!' he said, 'then I'll just give you a line to an old chum of mine there,' and immediately he took out a pad of paper and began writing. 'By the way,' he remarked, after jotting down a few words, 'I didn't even know my name struck me as the proper spelling?' The idea of a stranger giving me a letter of introduction to an intimate friend when he didn't eve nknow my name struck me as very strange and amusing. However, I took it with thanks, and later found the Nashville man a very charming fellow. When I left he insisted on giving me a note to a friend in Memphis, who proved equally charming, and who, in turn, supplied me with an introduction to a prominent clubman here in New Orleans.

"The last letter I haven't presented, and don't intend to, because it contains a glaring, though inadvertent misstatement in referring to me as an old and cherished friend of the good-natured gentlemen of Nashville and Washington. The process, as you see, has built me up an entirely fictitious character, and 'pon my word, I can't understand why such friendliness is not continually and outrageously abused by impostors. I'm sure it would be on our side of the water."—Baltimore News.

Why He Got It.

There is a sentiment common to the most of mankind which makes one's own home and neighbors the best there are in the world, and even a stranger who hails from the home town the most welcome friend to be met away from there. Nevertheless, such an illustration of it as the following, told by Gen. Sir Redvers Buller, is rare:

The story was told the Rev. S. Baring-Gould by Gen. Buller himself, and is narrated in the author's words as far as possible.

Sir Redvers was on his way, with a regiment of soldiers, to Canada. Off the entrance of the St. Lawrence the vessel was enveloped in fogs and delayed so that provisions ran short. Now there was a station on an islet with supplies for shipwrecked mariners, so Sir Redvers went ashore in a boat, to visit the store and ask for assistance.

When he applied he found a woman only in charge.

"No," said she, "the supplies are for those who are shipwrecked—not for such as you."

"But this is a Government depot, and we are servants of the crown."

"Can't help it; you're not shipwrecked."

There was a very recognizable intonation in the woman's voice. Sir Redvers at once assumed the Cornish accent, and said: "What, not for dear old One and All, and I a Buller?"

"What, from Cornwall, and a Buler? Take everything there is in the place; you're heartily welcome!"

Origin of Rod and Line.

Obviously the answer to the conundrum, "Who discovered rod-fishing in the sea?" is the first man who found he could not dangle effectively a hand-line over the edge of some precipitous shore, with rocks projecting at the foot. Later, when this noble savage began to burn out trees to make boats, the fisherman of the period doubtless boomed out a line on each side of the craft of the period so as to enable him to work four lines.

Go to the wildest portions of these islands and we find the same practices continued. In the far north, little barelegged Highlanders sit on steep rocks bobbing for cuddies, rod in hand, and without doubt much the same thing may have been seen any summer this century or two, as long, indeed, as there have been cuddies and laddies to catch them.

Go to the northwest of Ireland, and there the descendants of wild men row or sail, with bamboo rods, stuck out from the sterns of their boats, like quill stuck by wicked pupils in wigs of eighteenth century pedagogues. Flies, mind you, at the end of the lines. Real fly-fishing in the sea, and catching glissaunes (youthful coal fish) by the hundred. And this done for ages; and people want to know who discovered or introduced rod-fishing in the sea! Why, the practice is as old as the hills, metaphoriacly speaking—perhaps older than some hills.—Fishing Gazette.

The Bride and Groom.

"The wedding ring completes the circle, typical as is the ring itself of the perpetuity of the compact," writes Mrs. Burton Kingsland in the Ladies' Home Journal. "Inside the ring—always a plain gold one—are engraved the initials of bride and bridegroom, and the date of the marriage. It is placed on the third finger of the left hand because of the fanciful conceit that from that finger a nerve goes straight to the heart.

"Some say that the word 'obey' in the marriage service is an anachronism and holds only those who choose to be bound, but American women do not often feel their chains. In some provinces of Russia the bride's father gives her a little cut with a whip, which instrument of correction he then presents to the groom for future emergencies.

"The kiss formerly given by the young husband to his bride after the words, 'I pronounce you man and wife'—for which so many rehearsals were necessary—has gone out of fashion.

"It is a time-honored observance of wedding etiquette that the bride shall not be seen by the bridegroom on the fateful day until she appears coming up the aisle to meet him. Hence the custom of the bridegroom's waiting at the altar. The bridal procession is for him—not a pageant for the guests."

Toujours La Politesse.

"During a recent sharp skirmish," says "The Sphere," "an English officer in South Africa noticed that one of his guns was in danger. Calling an officer to his side he requested him to go and help the captain to try and bring it in. 'Pardon,' he added, as the officer turned to obey, 'perhaps you do not know the captain.' The officer had not the pleasure. 'I'll introduce you, then—charming fellow,' said his lordship, and, regardless of bursting shells and puffs of dirt which marked the pitch of bullets all around them, he cantered along the hillside with him. 'Captain,' he shouted, 'let me introduce my friend. Mr. B., Captain A. He will lend you a hand to bring in that gun; hope neither of you will be knocked over doing it.'"—Collier's Weekly.

$100 REWARD $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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A SIGNIFICANT LETTER.

New York City, Feb. 15, 1900.

My Dear Carlton:—I know it will please you to learn that my homeward journey from San Francisco was more than pleasant. One striking feature that added very much to my comfort was the dining car service on the Rio Grande Western and the Denver & Rio Grande. This is the finest service of this description I have ever seen anywhere, either in this country or abroad; the food and cooking was all that could be desired, and at very moderate prices. If you happen to know the Rio Grande Western people, I wish you would say to them that it will afford me the greatest pleasure at all times to bear testimony anywhere to the above facts.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) J. ADDISON BAKER, 2nd.
[Salt Lake Tribune.]

The Rio Grande Western Railway now operates through Pullman sleeping cars between San Francisco and Chicago, without change. The route via Salt Lake City is unequalled in attractiveness and wealth of novel interest. Three through trains daily. Write for information, rates, etc., to J. D. Mansfield, General Agent, 253 Washington street, Portland, Ore., or Geo. W. Heintz, General Passenger agent, Salt Lake City.

Death-Dealing Instruments.

Soapless Sam—I see dey's been anudder drownded in a bathtub, Petey.

Perambulating Pete — Yep; dem t'ings is a dangerous as trolleys.—Philadelphia North American.

Cures Talk

Great Fame of a Great Medicine Won by Actual Merit.

The fame of Hood's Sarsaparilla has been won by the good it has done to those who were suffering from disease. Its cures have excited wonder and admiration. It has caused thousands to rejoice in the enjoyment of good health, and it will do you the same good it has done others. It will expel from your blood all impurities; will give you a good appetite and make you strong and vigorous. It is just the medicine to help you now, when your system is in need of a tonic and invigorator.

Sores—"Last spring I had sores on my face. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and continued with it until the sores were all gone and I was stronger and healthier than ever before." JOHN E. MOUNGOVAN, Point Arena, Cal.

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EWARE of the dealer who says he can sell you the "same thing" as ALABASTINE or "something just as good." He is either not posted or is trying to deceive you.

ND IN OFFERING something he has bought cheap and tries to sell on ALABASTINE'S demands, he may not realize the damage you will suffer by a kalsomine on your walls.

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Cuban Talk.

Old as the Hills

are the pains and aches of

RHEUMATISM
NEURALGIA
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Sure as taxes is the cure of them by

St. Jacobs Oil

Incurable.

Wife—John, you have a very annoying habit of saying "What's that?" whenever you are spoken to. Can't you break yourself of it?

Husband—(reading) — Eh — what's that?"—Tit Bits.

The Makers of Carter's Ink Say: "We can't make any better ink than we do; we don't know how to. We can make poorer ink, but we won't." Carter's Ink is the best.

There is a time in every life when one must concentrate or fail. It is so in business, in the choice of a profession, in respect to religion.—Rev. D. C. Barrett.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—WM. O. ENDELEY, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

The British government keeps 11 vessels at work sounding and charting the ocean beds to find out where dangers lurk. Last year 10,000 square miles were carefully charted in different parts of the world—Asia, Africa and the South Pacific.

Refuse, choose and endure! They are truly the great things of which this life of toil and suffering are made.—Rev. D. C. MacLeod.

The rag pickers of Paris, of whom there are about 40,000, are enraged because the new rubbish boxes, just introduced in that city, cannot be opened by any one but the cartmen who are employed to carry off the contents.

A Guilty Conscience.

Rastus—Whad yo tink is de mattah wif me, doctah?

Doctor—Oh, nothing but chicken-pox, I guess.

Rastus (getting nervous)—I clare on mah honah, doctah, I haint bin nowhar I could ketch dat!—Judge.

British Aristocracy Blamed.

Many people attribute the recent reverses of the British to the degeneracy of the aristocracy. The life of luxury certainly does not produce vigor. Indigestible suppers, late hours, constant nerve strain and lack of exercise upset the stomach and weaken both physical and mental vitality. The blood that makes men heroes must come from active, healthy stomachs. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters purifies the blood and strengthens the stomach. It cures constipation, indigestion, dyspepsia and biliousness.

The street cars of Havana are heavy, cumbersome, old style cars, drawn by three ponies, one in the lead of a span at the doubletree, all of them hitched too far from the car for economy of effort on the part of the little beasts or successful handling by the driver.

Don't Let Constipation Kill You!

It will do it, openly or in disguise. Constipation has many long scientific aliases, but Cascarets Candy Cathartic will save you. Druggists, 10c, 25c, 50c.

In San Rafael, Cal., is is illegal to shoot game with a repeating or magazine shotgun.

The Shortest General's Long Titles.

"Bobs, who is sometimes known as Lord Roberts, has, next to the royal family, the longest lists of titles in Great Britain. Here is his official designation: Baron Roberts, of Kandahar and Waterford, P.C., K.P., G.C.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., V.C., D.C.L., LL.D. And yet he is the shortest general in the service. Should he be triumphant in South Africa he may count on a few more letters to his name.—Collier's Weekly.

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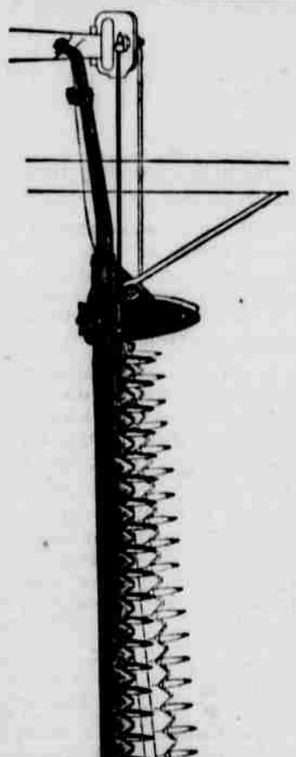

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