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The coal and coal oil trusts are steadily marking up prices.

The poor must suffer. The government should take them by the throat, figuratively speaking, and shake their trust life out.

NINETEEN HUNDRED THREE is now a reality. We wish our many readers, one and all, a "Happy New Year."

trusting that the coming twelve-month will be more prosperous and happier one than any which have preceded it.

APPROBS OF THE criticism leveled at the Southern Pacific Co., for running trains on the same track at sixty miles an hour and only twenty minutes apart, it is interesting to note that, the new steel track railroad between Manchester and Liver-pool expects to run cars at a speed of 110 miles an hour on a ten-mile headway.

The Boston Post says that while Mr. Bryan failed to obtain the Presidency, he incidentally gained a considerable fortune as a result of his political fame.

According to that journal he possesses, "aside from his newspaper, which is paying no interest upon a third of a million, a fortune of about \$150,000. His income is not much below \$50,000 a year."

WIRELESS MESSAGES are now being sent across the Atlantic. It has been but a few weeks since cable messages were sent for the first time across the Pacific.

If Marconi's wonderful invention should prove to be the success its preliminary tests seem to predict, the usefulness of ocean cables, with which the globe has just been circled, will be largely diminished, and cables will be to the Marconi system as gas light to the incandescent electric.

The special edition of the Scientific American, devoted to Transportation on Land and Sea, cannot fail to attract widespread interest, both because of the very handsome manner in which it is gotten up and on account of the voluminous amount of information it contains.

It is safe to say that anyone who reads it carefully will find himself thoroughly posted both as to magnitude and high quality of our railroads and shipping.

The police judge of Astoria, who also attended to the duties of auditor, died of consumption the other day, having held the office for years. Now it is found that for a long time he had engaged in "raising" the amounts of warrants issued until he had stolen between \$5,000 and \$10,000. He paid parties the amounts due and allowed them on bills of a few dollars each, then raised them in the warrants he presented to the city treasurer. His accounts were never checked up till after death. No wonder he carried a revolver for months preceding his death. Sleeping quarters on the edge of a volcano would be pleasant in comparison with the couch that man occupied. "Honesty is the best policy."

The pure food bill has passed the lower house of Congress, although by a majority of only one. The bill will doubtless pass the Senate and become a law. That such a statute should not have been enacted before is almost inexplicable. It is in the interest of honesty in food and medicines offered for sale. In order to keep within the constitutional powers of congressional legislation, the bill provides only for the prohibition of interstate commerce in foods which are not what they pretend to be. By its provisions adulteration of food or medicines is forbidden, unless the adulteration is plainly stated on the original package. Nothing is said of the adulterator. He is not to be held liable for the adulteration of a standard brand. Honest labels and full weights are provided for. The penalties are severe.

CLOSE ON the heels of the disclosures recently made exclusively by the Portland Journal that the employees of the Great Northern, Northern Pacific and the Canadian Pacific were contemplating a strike to force their demands for higher wages, comes the information that within the last few days the switchmen employed by the Southern Pacific have protested like demands. Manager Koehler, who represents the Southern Pacific in Portland, was the official approached. He was asked to sign a new agreement by which the wages of the men were to be considerably increased, but as it refused to do so, this action puts the S. P. employees in the same position as are those of other roads, and in case a strike is declared it means that the railroad workers of the Northwest will be able to put up a solid front in what is likely to be one of the most far-reaching strikes that ever occurred west of the Mississippi.

A Movable Fort. One of the latest inventions for service in war times is called the war motor. Being built on wheels it can be operated by a very few men, and is strongly recommended for sea-coast defence. The only medicine that is strongly recommended by thousands of grateful people, who have used it as a defense against all stomach, liver and kidney complaints, is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It cures them and will not fail in your case. Try it, if you are a sufferer from loss of appetite, headache, indigestion, dyspepsia, torpid liver, constipated bowels, or kidney troubles, and you will not be disappointed. Ask your druggist for a copy of our 363 illustrated Almanac. It contains much valuable and useful information and is free of charge.

BRIEF MENTION.

The county commissioners' court will be in session this week, beginning Wednesday. The public schools, which have been enjoying the holidays, resumed studies Monday.

Trespass notices, printed on cloth, for sale at this office. They are just what is needed to keep people off your property.

Geo. Fore of Applegate informs us that Frank Sisk has left for Forest Meadows, Siskiyou county, Calif., where he will remain sometime.

Subscriptions for Mr. Bryan's paper, The Commoner, the leading Democratic newspaper in the United States, are taken at The Times office.

Thos. Edson has sold his ranch, situated in Applegate precinct, to Geo. Allen, taking 12 acres of land in South-Central California as part payment.

It is rumored that there are some cases of genuine small-pox in Trall creek precinct. No deaths have occurred as yet, and the sick are improving.

Wilbur Jones, our new county assessor, this week filed his bond, and will immediately assume the duties of his position. He will doubtless make a first-class official.

Deeds, mortgages, leases, bonds, bills of sale and every imaginable kind of legal blanks—the latest and best—are constantly on hand at the Times office.

Rev. Mr. Shields, who has been on duty at Klamath Falls, will on Sunday, Jan. 11th, hold services at the Presbyterian church in Medford, which he will be in charge of indefinitely.

Col. C. E. S. Wood of Portland, the popular orator and lawyer, has been spending a few days in Southern Oregon. He was the Democratic candidate for U. S. Senator at the late election.

The foot-ball game, announced to take place at Eagle Point on New Year's, failed to materialize. The home club, which is a good one, was unable to find a team that wished to engage it on the gridiron.

L. L. Hamilton has become interested with True Cox in the Union Valley Stables. They both have had a large experience in the business, are wide-awake and accommodating, and make a strong combination.

The game of foot ball played at Central Point, between the local team and an Ashland eleven, was witnessed by a large crowd and proved interesting. It was won by the visitors by a score of 5 to 0. There was some good playing.

Blue-print maps of any township in Roseburg Oregon, Land District, showing all the vacant lands, for 50 cents each. If you want any information from the U. S. Land Office, address Title Guaranty & Loan Co., Roseburg, Oregon.

At the last meeting of the district boundary board, which is composed of the county judge and commissioners, a new school district was formed in the Elk creek section, which will be known as No. 84. It will accommodate a number of families.

Joe Russell and Will York of Josephine county, the well-known stockmen, a few days since drove from Applegate one of the finest bunches of cattle we ever saw. There were nearly fifty of the heaves, which they had sold to Mitchell, the California buyer, at a round figure.

Thos. C. Norris has received a full line of Oregon and saddle shoes, which they are selling at very reasonable rates. They also keep an excellent assortment of second-hand goods in the rooms and all blood diseases, etc., etc.

The following officers for the ensuing year were elected at the last meeting of Medford Lodge No. 103, A. F. & A. M.: J. A. Whitman, W. M.; E. D. Edward, S. W.; M. Purdin, J. W.; Chas. Strang, Treas.; J. W. Lawton, Sec.; W. H. McGowan, S. D.; W. V. Lippincott, J. D.; J. K. Darnell, Tyler; B. N. Butler and A. H. Walker, stewards.

The Jackson County Lumber Co., whose mills are located three miles south of Jacksonville, are prepared to fill orders for lumber of every size and description. If not in the yard, will send on order on short notice. Postoffice address Jacksonville.

T. S. Leover, who has been foreman of the Golden Jubilee mine on Coffey creek, Trinity county, Calif., is in the valley, operations having been suspended there for the season. He reports that quartz mines in northern Trinity are being shut down for the winter. The rich Dorjeska is the only one where an attempt will be made to continue operations.

If you are troubled with impure blood, indicated by sores, pimples, headache, etc., we would recommend Acker's Blood Elixir, which we sell under a positive guarantee. It will always cure scrofulous or syphilitic poisons and all other blood diseases, and is sold at \$1.00. A. P. Estabrook, Gold Hill, Oregon. The leading druggist.

W. R. Noah, a former resident of Jackson county, has been arrested at Redding, Calif., together with other parties, charged with swearing falsely in connection with an attempt to secure a S. P. pension for a woman enjoying rather an unsavory reputation. He was once confined in the county jail at Jacksonville, for sometime, on a charge with adultery, but was never tried.

W. Estill Phillips, the clever young attorney, has handsomely fitted up the entire front of the second story of Lindley's building, in Medford, to accommodate the requirements of his growing practice. He has also added considerably to his library, which is one of the best in Medford. Mr. P. is painstaking and industrious, and any business entrusted to him will receive prompt and careful attention.

Avoid all drying inhalants and use that which cleanses and heals the membrane. Ely's Cream Balm is such a remedy and cures Catarrh easily and pleasantly. Cold in the head vanishes quickly. Price 50 cents at druggists or by mail.

Catarrh caused difficulty in speaking and to great extent loss of hearing. By the use of Ely's Cream Balm dropping of mucus has ceased, voice restored and hearing greatly improved.—J. W. Davidson, Atty at Law, Monmouth, Ill.

PERSONAL. Wanted. Ladies everywhere to send for free package of our Turkish Harem Sack. Contains valuable information. Send no money. The Pacific Company, 149 10th St., Portland, Ore.

MEDFORD SQUIBS.

Miss Geraldine Theiss visited in Jacksonville Friday. J. W. Otwell has returned from his trip to Portland. Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Peart of Central Point are in the city.

I. J. Estes, who lives near Central Point, is among us to-day. County Surveyor Jones has returned from his trip to Elk creek. Prof. Hanby of Central Point was a Medford visitor Wednesday.

Ed. Worman, who has been quite sick, is able to be about again. J. C. Metcalf, the energetic insurance agent, is in Medford today.

Capt. Nash is in Josephine county, where he has large mining interests. H. M. Coss has returned from Ashland, where he is doing a big business.

A. M. Cannon, the attorney, spent a few hours at Jacksonville New Year's. F. M. Amy, the Central Point capitalist, spent several hours in Medford today.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Pierce of Ashland are in Medford, after a visit at Jacksonville. Jas. Carr and A. E. Moore, two of our best citizens, were with us one day this week.

Ray Bunch, who is a tonsorial artist with headquarters at Sisson, Calif., is visiting in Medford.

C. M. Duncanson, who lives near Jacksonville, tarried in Medford a few hours one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Hathaway of Willow Springs precinct were among those in Medford Friday.

Carl Rawlings and his sister, Mrs. Ella Arnold, arrived from Loveland, Colorado, a few days since.

Mrs. Sarah Griffith of Josephine county was in Medford Friday, accompanied by her youngest son.

J. Owen, the S. P. Co.'s coal mining expert, went south this morning. He will extend his trip as far as Utah.

Delbert Terrill of Brownsville was among those in Medford Thursday. He is steadily improving in health.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hosler of Ashland visited with relatives and friends living in Medford during the past week.

Miss Helen Wait, who has been at Grant's Pass, the guest of A. S. Hammond's family, returned the forepart of the week.

E. E. Redfield of Douglas county, a well-known marksman, was among those who took part in the shooting tournament.

J. Patterson, one of our county commissioners, was in Medford this morning. He was well pleased with our new steel bridge.

Dr. W. S. Jones and Chas. Strang have returned from Grange creek, where they have been looking after their mining interests.

Rev. E. L. Fitch, presiding elder of the M. E. Church, South, is in the valley, on official business. He will preach in Medford Sunday evening.

F. R. Knowles of Spokane, Wash., has been in Medford this week, visiting his sisters, Mesdames A. Hubbard, W. Woods and M. F. Parker.

Hon. J. M. Hansbrough, joint representative from Jackson and Douglas counties, is in the valley, consulting the wishes of his constituents.

The family of E. W. Gurnea, the expert electrician of Medford's water and Light plant, were the guests of relatives living at Ashland New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Conroy are being visited by two sons, who live at Pullman, Wash., and are doing well. The younger leaves for his home this evening.

W. E. Case, who went to Ohio some time ago, has returned, with the intention of remaining. His health is considerably improved since he got back.

A. D. Naylor has returned from Grange creek, where he has been employed in Capt. Nash's mines. He brings flattering reports of the mining situation.

Mr. and Mrs. West of Myrtle Creek are visiting their son, C. P. Snell, the attorney, and his family. The latter has been quite ill, but is now convalescing.

Miss Case, the clever teacher of education in the Southern Oregon Normal School, and Miss Cambers, who have been visiting in Medford, returned home this morning.

Rev. J. M. Yimzing, pastor of the Bedford St. M. E. Church, Cumberland, Md., says: "It affords me great pleasure to recommend Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I have used it and know others who have never known it to fail." For sale at City Drug Store.

Walter Lippincott, son of W. V. Lippincott, the S. P. Co.'s elevator station agent, is now located in Arizona, where he is head book-keeper in a prominent mercantile establishment.

Phil Gearhart, the clever manager of the Wrought Iron Range Co.'s business in the Northwest arrived here Wednesday. He has already begun operations in Southern Oregon with a considerable force.

We have inadvertently neglected to mention that F. W. Hutchinson and his sister, Mrs. Lumsden, recently returned from their trip east of the Rocky mountains. They were gone six months, and thoroughly enjoyed their visit.

Sick headache absolutely and permanently cured by using Moki Tea. E. Pleasant herb drink. Cures constipation and indigestion, makes you eat, sleep, work and be happy. Satisfaction guaranteed or money back. 25 cents and 50 cents. Write to W. H. HOOKER & CO., Buffalo, N. Y., for a free sample. A. P. Estabrook, Gold Hill, Oregon. The leading druggist.

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HORSE FOR SALE. A large mare, eight years old, broken to ride of drive, grade and true. Apply to this office for particulars.

PERSONAL MENTION.

S. P. Jones was a visitor in Medford New Year's. J. W. Slinger of Lake creek, the successful stockraiser, was in Medford Thursday.

P. H. Dally, county school superintendent, and Prof. Washburn were in Ashland Friday.

Flowers Bros., thrifty farmers of Walla Walla Valley, Wash., are visiting in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Howland of Grant's Pass have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cook recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hanley of Harney county and E. B. Hanley of Alaska have been visiting in the valley recently.

Theo. Cameron left for Waldo Friday, on business connected with the mines he is interested in with the Simmons estate.

District Attorney and Mrs. A. E. Reames, who have been spending the holidays at Portland and Hillsboro, returned Friday.

S. J. Myers, one of the thrifty farmers of Evans creek district, was with us Friday afternoon. He reports that section in a flourishing condition.

Miss Cora Cameron, who has been spending the holidays with relatives and friends living in this county, has returned to Eugene, to resume her studies at the U. of O.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dickson, Mrs. H. Ridinger, Mrs. Helen Rowan, Preston Phillips, Mrs. F. A. Wortman, Mrs. Wm. Carroll and Mrs. Hattie Bartlett were among the holiday excursionists to San Francisco.

Mr. McMurtrey, who spent sometime in Applegate district a few years ago, mining and running a mill of his father's invention, recently returned from Omaha, accompanied by his family. He will locate in Southern Oregon again.

D. W. Crosby returned from Riddle, a few days ago, where he spent the holidays with his family. He is again officiating as chief clerk at Hotel Nash, in his usual clever manner, and giving general satisfaction. He is being assisted by "Little Davy," an unadulterated descendant of Ham, who is an apt pupil, and in his handsome and appropriate uniform attracts the attention of all.

SUPREME COURT DECIDES THREE CASES. Of Considerable Importance Appealed from Jackson County.

WINCHESTER ET AL. VS. HOOVER ET AL. E. H. Winchester and Charles Main, respondents, vs. Hulda E. Hoover et al, appellants, from Jackson County, H. K. Hanna Judge; reversed, opinion by Justice Beas.

In 1888 the widow, without an order of the court, sold to one Cooper, lot 1, block 14, in Medford, for \$800, its reasonable value. The plaintiff, having succeeded to Cooper's interest and being in possession of the property, brought this suit to determine if they hold the property as owners in fee or have merely a life-estate interest therein.

In concluding, the opinion is as follows: "The fact, if it is a fact, as alleged in the complaint, found by the trial court, and strenuously urged at the argument here, that the sale was made by the widow to provide means to support, maintain and educate the minor children of the testator, is important material in the title to the property. It was not given to her in trust for any such purpose. Her power to convey it depended on the terms of the will, and not upon the purpose for which the sale or conveyance might be made. If the will gave her no power to sell, or to dispose of the fee, none can be inferred from the necessities of the case."

Court concludes that the plaintiffs are the owners of the life estate of Mrs. Hoover only, and that the fee is in the defendant heirs. The decree of the lower court is reversed.

DEAN ET AL. VS. DEAN ET AL. R. W. Dean et al, appellants, vs. Ralph Dean and Olive Dean, respondents, appeal from Jackson County, H. K. Hanna Judge, affirmed, opinion by Chief Justice Moore.

BUTT ET AL. VS. REED. Peter Britt, Helena Hanna and Fredie Ika Heely, respondents, vs. C. D. Reed, appellant, from Jackson County, H. K. Hanna Judge, affirmed, opinion by Justice Beas.

A Good Recommendation. "I have noticed that the sale on Chamberlain's Stomach & Liver Tablets is almost invariably to those who have used them," says Mr. J. H. Webber, a prominent druggist of Cascade, Iowa. "What better recommendation could any medicine have than for people to use it and to know others who have never known it to fail." For sale at City Drug Store.

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CUPID'S PRANKS DURING THE YEAR.

List of Licenses Issued by the County Clerk in 1902.

JANUARY. Henry Walters and Ora M Ford. C V Lioy and Della Stewart. Horace I Pelton and Meta M Morine. J F Wait and Lillian Tressler.

A D Houston and Lillian F Amick. Emmett O'Brien and Estella Byrne. J H Hoffman and Kate F Hoffman. William Evans and Mary Perdue. C R Singleton and Dora Roach.

Charles Spannaus and Alice Snodgrass. Smith M Kenzie and Mabel F Plummer. M S Biden and Hattie I Marshall. D R Andrus and Mrs S M Whitman. O E Stinson and Nannie Bailey. Walter Everton and Roberta Potter.

FEBRUARY. W A Smith and Lottie P Farren. H B Nye and Lillie Gergory. William R Yeo and Gertrude Jeffrey. Carl L Rhodes and Nettie G Vandekarr. Geo W Messner and Daisy Stidham. John Doerner and Elizabeth Demmer.

MARCH. Malcolm Johnston and Jane Berwert. Paul Demmer and Annelia Downing. John Broeding and Maud Harvey. O A Gillett and Mrs Lou Smith. Albert Joffay and Fannie Ralph. J G Goble and Bessie M Plymale. W G Knips and Hattie Mahen. Blaine Klum and Florence Dodge. Julius Wetzel and Lulu Lyons.

APRIL. Charles Adams and Lulu Leok. J W Brannon and Rosa E Scadden. Henry Haines and Elizabeth Edler.

MAY. W G Farmer and Edna Duffy. T H Martin and Martha E Olson. E Foster and Flora Nickerson. E Wilson and Rosa Soukup. Henry Schafer and Clara Perry. W H Heaton and Carrie I Sackett. J E Bessell and Maud Downing. Alva R Rowley and Laura E Russell. Alva R Wilkins and Charlotte B Pracht. Nate G Bates and Myrtle A Kame. John D Beeson and Mazy M Talent. Fred Thumberg and Jennie Olson. James Stewart and Sophia I Brien.

JUNE. Wm A Aitkin and Clara Mings. J E Wolf and Hattie M Oliver. Otho F West and Bell Kelsaw. Harry M Butler and Edith Nicholson. B C Robbins and Annie Cummins. Thaddeus W Miles and Jessie M Wagner.

Edward J Callan and Lucy E Helm. Edwin McKinney and Ella Dudley. Alfie O Freil and Alma E Wilson. Henry L Andrews and Myrtle Vogell. T B Evans and Augusta Nusbaum. Geo H Yeo and Olive M Gregory.

JULY. Richard H Hodge and Catherine Blythe. Thomas V Cincade and Lottie Pankey. H F Bailey and Pearl Morelock. Burl Smith and Emma Bowker. G R Carlock and Arta Tyrrell. Freeman Zana and Arretta E Smith. I B Williams and Catherine Funk. Thomas W Herriott and Helen C Little. Emery J Eastman and Laura H Booth. Clifton Curtis and Mrs Ella Carleton. James L Garvin and Loraine Carlie. Walter C Hodge and Marie A Smith. Geo W Smith and Pearl Ross. Florence Walker and Addie Myers. J J Kelly and Margie M Collins. Smith A Dusenbury and Lulu Newton. Mike Downie and Josephine Wagner.

AUGUST. Frank Robison and Minnie Conger. Charles P Grubb and Jessie L Roberson. Charles Benback and Isabelle Herr. Arthur Smith and Pearl Winningham. L E Cooper and Olive H B Jones. Robert Diment and Marietta Burnett. Sunday School and Class Meeting every Sunday morning. Epworth League, every Sunday evening.

RELIGIOUS. Jacksonville and Central Point Charge of the M. E. Church. Jacksonville:—First and third Sundays, preaching morning and evening. Sunday School every Sunday morning. Central Point:—Second, fourth, fifth Sundays, preaching morning and evening. Sunday School and Class Meeting every Sunday morning. Epworth League, every Sunday evening.

DURING NEXT 10 DAYS. C. F. Shepherd of Ashland, the leading dealer in pianos, organs, etc will astonish you with his low prices and very favorable terms. Be sure to see him before placing your order. It will pay you well.

SETTLE UP. All persons knowing themselves indebted to Savage Bros, will please call and settle at once, by cash or note. The books have been placed in my hands, and after Jan. 1, 1903, the books will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection. J. M. HUBLEY, Central Point

INDIGESTION is the cause of more discomfort than any other ailment. If you eat the things that you want, and that are good for you, you are distressed. Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets will make your digestion perfect and prevent dyspepsia, and its attendant disagreeable symptoms. You can satisfy all your desires, if you take one of these Tablets afterward. old by all druggists. Write to W. H. HOOKER & CO., Buffalo, N. Y., for a free sample. Send us for a free sample. W. H. HOOKER & CO., Buffalo, N. Y.

YACHT FOR ADMIRAL WILDE

Great Heat Makes Warship Unfit For Naval Officers in Orient. Mail advices from Hongkong state that a yacht has been provided as a flagship for Admiral Wilde and staff, in command of the American squadron stationed in oriental waters, says a Tacoma (Wash.) special to the Chicago Inter Ocean. On account of the great heat a regular warship is uncomfortable in many ways for officers in command of naval movements in that part of the vessel to be used by Admiral Wilde is the Rainbow, formerly a cattle ship, which was purchased by the government at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war and afterward converted into a distilling ship. She was sent to Manila and has since been put into shipbuilders' hands in oriental waters. She has been comfortably fitted up for the accommodation of the admiral's command, the Omaha, Manila, together with a large staff. She is neither armed nor armored, simply carrying guns of small caliber for saluting purposes.

The Rainbow is admirably fitted for entertaining purposes and will be thus used when the fleet visits the various cities of the Asiatic coast. She has large saloons and fine sleeping quarters.

Scientists Charmed by Indian Chants. Art, with no other idea than that to be beautiful, broke into the Americanists' congress at the Museum of Natural History in New York the other day. The grave men there did not know at first that it was he, says the New York American. Arthur Farwell led in, disguised in the black domino of "Ethnic Significance." He played on the piano the theme of an "Old Man's Love Song" of the Omaha Indians.

He played the song of "Ish-abrut" that tells the advance of force and calls the warriors to arms. The pianist combined with it a rallying song.

Comparing Families. Harold—My ancestors were all honest, but they were not stylish. "That's all right. My ancestors were all stylish, but as far as I can learn they wouldn't pay their debts."—Detroit Free Press.

Two Months. If a man's mouth were as large in proportion as the mouth of a fly, he would have to have a head four feet in diameter to accommodate his lips and teeth.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys. Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood.

If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work.

Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-worked in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It is used to be considered that only urinary troubles were traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes.

You may have a sample bottle by mailing Home of Swamp-Root, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

Weather Report. The following is a weather report for the month of December, furnished by E. Britt, volunteer observer:

Mean temperature, 38.14 degrees; maximum temperature, 64 deg, on the 20th; minimum temperature, 20 on the 18th; mean of maximum temperature, 44.64 deg; mean of minimum temperature, 31.6 deg; number times maximum temperature 90 deg or above, 6; number times minimum temperature 32 deg or below, 17; number times minimum temperature 40 deg or below, 29; total precipitation, 5.43 inches; greatest precipitation in 24 consecutive hours and date, 1.4; number of clear days, 4; number of partly cloudy days, 8; number of cloudy days, 10; number of days on which 0