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VENISON FROM THE FARM.

The old-fashioned farmer must frequently be astonished by the bulletins which come to his mail box from the department of agriculture, says the Toledo Blade. One of these documents recently issued will surprise even those who have applauded the department's suggestions as inspired advice. This is a proposal that an attempt be made to domesticate the deer and thus place venison, at present a rarity and a tit-bit for the wealthy, within the reach of the most moderately packed pocket-book.

The idea has probably been born in the fact that the deer of the New England forests are often seen grazing with cattle in the fields and, in times of heavy snow or when the streams are frozen tight, come into the farmyards in search of food and approach the watering troughs to quench their thirst. It is known that deer which are given protection in reserves become quite tame and may even be petted by those persons whom they recognize as friends. Unlike many other wild animals they will breed while in captivity. If guarded against the hunters and given sufficient room in which to feed and run they might reasonably be counted upon to thrive and multiply even though hounds were placed upon their grazing grounds.

There are tracts of cultivated land in this country upon which deer might be profitably raised, mountain sides and areas which will not produce vegetation that would pay for plowing and harvesting. It might be necessary to modify the game laws in order that the deer raiser should not be restricted in the matter of marketing the venison. Of this the department says:

"Instead of hampering breeders by restrictions as at present, state laws should be so modified as to encourage the raising of deer, elk and other animals as a source of profit to the individual and to the state. Safeguards against the destruction and sale of wild deer in place of domesticated deer are not difficult to enforce. For this purpose a system of licensing private parks and of tagging deer or carcasses sold or shipped so that they may be easily identified is recommended. It is believed that with favorable legislation much otherwise waste land in the United States may be so utilized for the production of venison as to yield profitable returns, and also that this excellent and nutritious meat instead of being denied to 99 per cent of the population of the country may become as common and as cheap as our markets as mutton."

DOES EXTRAVAGANT LIVING HELP THE WAGE EARNER?

So close is the connection between extravagant expenditure and the employment of labor that people are often misled in their reflections on the subject.

In the same breath a well meaning individual laments the increase of extravagant living, but adds the comment that thousands would be thrown out of employment if the extravagance were to cease.

This is undoubtedly true. The first results would be as disastrous as those following the introduction of labor saving machinery and the same readjustment would have to take place before the benefits to mankind could be realized.

Capital and labor which are employed in making champagne or dance favors that are destroyed in a night of course get a return for their investment, but they are adding nothing to the real wealth of the world.

WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

GOOD EVENING.

Each little day
That slips away
And finds for thee no pleasure,
That steals along
Without a song,
Is just a wasted treasure.

WHEN THE TIDE IS LOW.

Sometime at eve, when tide is low,
I shall slip my mooring and sail away,
With no response to a friendly hail
Of kindred craft in a busy bay.

In the silent hush of the twilight pale,
When the night swoops down to embrace the day,
And the voices call in the water's flow
Some time at eve, when the tide is low,
I shall slip my mooring and sail away,
Through purple shadows that darkly trail

O'er the ebbing tide of the unknown sea,
I shall fare me away with a dip of sail,
And a ripple of waters to tell the tale
Of a lonely voyage, sailing away
To myrtle isles, where at anchor lay
The craft of those who have sailed before.

O'er the unknown sea to the unknown shore,
A few who have watched me sail away
Will miss my craft from the busy bay:
Some friendly barks that were anchored near,
Some loving souls that my heart held dear,

In silent sorrow will drop a tear:
But I shall have peacefully furled my sail
In moorings sheltered from storm and gale,
And greeted the friends who have sailed before
O'er the unknown sea to the unknown shore.

—ANON.

Chicago's loss through smoke is said to be \$50,000,000 a year. That's something of a nuisance, you must admit.

"Who would take advice from a pinhead?" asks a contemporary. Another pinhead, of course. Ask a hard one.

While constantly boasting about her glorious climate, California is always in the mood to make it hot for the Japanese.

A New Orleans policeman arrested his own wife the other day, but even that does not prove that he is boss in his own house.

There must be times when Mr. Bryan is thankful that a defeated candidate is not barred from giving the country good advice.

The new United States senator from Indiana is 6 feet 5 inches tall, but he wasn't chosen because his state wanted to make a good showing.

"Pull," says Mr. Harriman, "can never carry a man far in railroad-ing." Mr. Harriman's own success has been won by push—pushing his rivals aside.

Miss Virginia Reel of North Carolina, has married Mr. Sterling Bugg, according to the press dispatches, and we presume there is now joy in the Bugg house.

Every Irishman in the country thing to the real wealth of the world.

The same capital and labor if employed for instance in building good roads and bridges, draining or irrigating lands would yield the same return in wages to labor and interest to capital, and would also be creating to the real wealth of the world.

Not all expenditures above the necessities of life are to be classed as extravagance. The measure of man's wants is the measure of his civilization. Anything which ministers to a higher life is real wealth and neither its possession nor its manufacture is to be condemned.

No reform is likely to come along this line with any such suddenness as to upset the economic machinery of the world, but it does seem important that enlightened people should think rightly on the subject.—Exchange.

will take a pardonable interest in the discovery that painting the inside of a henhouse green will induce the "hiddies" to work a bit harder.

The Pittsburg Dispatch asserts that there are several grades of liars. Wonder how far down on the list one can find the fellow who takes a cold bath every morning in the winter.

A Brooklyn woman says she doesn't care whether they hang her husband, who is in jail at Baltimore. Lucky dog! That gives him one thing less to worry about during his incarceration.

A European court holds that the man who owns land also owns the air over it. In the near future the aeronauts may find themselves confronted with "No Trespassing" signs and pursued by fly cops of all nations.

A Kansas woman wants a divorce because her husband made her wear trousers and work in the field. Had he merely permitted her to wear the trousers around the house, there would have been no trouble in the family.

From New Jersey comes the remarkable story of a woman who was caught in the act of putting money into her husband's pocket. The strangest part of the whole affair is the fact that her husband survived the terrible shock.

The editor of the Ladies' Home Journal has admitted that he knows of no form of exercise that will benefit a girl with bow legs. Is it possible that one of his young lady readers has admitted to him that she has bow legs?

Says the Topeka Capital: "What Kansas really needs is a receptacle that will hold four quart bottles of beer without betraying its contents." Well, haven't you noticed that the average Kansas stomach is just that kind of a receptacle? What, never?

A Massachusetts man claims to have a dietary scheme that will enable man to live 350 years. We doubt if meat and eggs cut much figure on his bill of fare, for the price of those things destroy a man's desire to live longer than absolutely necessary.

Sometimes there are instances in life like those in the story books: A Cottage Grove, Oregon, girl engaged herself recently to a carpenter, thinking he was poor, and discovered on the eve of her wedding day that he had \$66 in the bank. He had not told her, wishing her to love him for himself alone.

A man in Drain recently bought a goat for which he paid \$5. Shortly after he received a tax bill on the goat for \$3, says the Nonpareil. He called on the assessor, and said: "Why do you tax me \$3 on my goat when I paid but \$5 for him?" "Well," said the assessor, "I have carefully read what the statutes say, and it reads: Whoever owns property abutting on the street shall be taxed \$4 a front foot."

TOO LATE CAME THE OLD LADY'S FORTUNE

MARSHALL, Mich., Feb. 24.—"It has come too late. The only pleasure that this money can bring me now is to divide it up among my children," said Mrs. Martha Hulbert, who, after battling with poverty all her life, now, at the age of 81, finds herself in the possession of a fortune approximating \$100,000.

Mrs. Hulbert up to the time of the death of her husband, a laborer, three years ago, lived in Eaton Rapids. Of late she has been living with her daughter, Mrs. William Morey, wife of a carriage painter.

A short time ago Mrs. Hulbert received a letter from her cousin, Albert McKee, of Lagrange, Ill., informing her that they had been left an estate of \$200,000 by the death of their cousin, Miss Louise Swain, of Detroit. Mrs. Hulbert has three daughters and two sons.

"Did you know that if all the salt in the ocean were gathered into one solid body it would make a cube measuring 500 miles each way?" asked John D. Goss of Dr. Dix at the Millcooma last evening.

"No, but I don't believe it. Who has figured it out?" asked Dr. Dix. "Nobody. I was just trying to find out how big a lie you would swallow," said Goss while Doctor Dix threw a glance at him.

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