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**FITS** Dr. J. C. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Philadelphia, Pa. 1890.

Wareham Long—How d'ye reckon we'll know it w'en the prosperity comes?  
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**Continuous Performance.**  
"Ebenzer," called out Mrs. Jagway from the floor above, "have you been drinking again?"  
"No, m' dear," answered Mr. Jagway, in the hallway below. "Not again, still."

A recent church notice in Manchester, England, read: "A potato pie supper will be held on Saturday evening. Subject for Sunday evening, 'A Night of Agony.'"

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## BLOW AT REFORM.

**Chinese Regent Diamissa's Yuan From All Offices**  
Pekin, Jan. 4.—It is the consensus of opinion that the Manchus do not understand the full significance of their precipitate act, which resulted today in the dismissal of Yuan Shi Kai, grand counselor and commander in chief of the forces. The act, however, is attributed mainly to the regent and is characterized as dangerous inasmuch as it gives to the revolutionaries and reformers an issue on the cry "China for the Chinese."  
That the situation is grave is becoming more and more a parent. That a government upheaval would follow the succession has been generally accepted, but even the Chinese did not expect this to occur before the expiration of the hundred days of mourning.  
At the conclusion of a conference between the British, American and German ministers today a second meeting of diplomats was called to include the representatives of other powers, in the hope of formulating a concerted program of action. It was realized at the first meeting that Japan was the doubtful element and there was a general conviction that the powers would not be able to take any definite steps before further developments.

## GOOD FOR FORAGE.

**Wizard Burbank Succeeds With His Thornless Cactus.**  
Los Angeles, Jan. 4.—The official reports on the first summer's field cultivation of the Burbank thornless cactus were issued today by the Western Empire, an agricultural journal which has had charge of extensive experiments on the new forage plant.  
With the exception that one lot planted in the Indo desert nearly perished from the effects of excessive alkali in the soil, the average results are pronounced successful. The largest tests were made upon the hardy thornless varieties, which Luther Burbank collected from all parts of the world, and of these varieties large quantities will be distributed this year to those who will make experimental tests with them.  
The report concludes that thornless varieties have to be fenced to protect them from rabbits, but that the early fears expressed that they would revert to the old habits of growing thorns have been dispelled by this year's results, as the propagation is not from seed, but from cuttings, which, according to all botanical law and history, rigidly conform to the features of the parent plant.  
The uses as a fodder for the family cow and for poultry upon the small tracts where personal attention is given seem to have been fully established.

## DEAD AT MESSINA 115,000.

**Estimates Increase Total of Losses by Earthquake.**  
Rome, Jan. 4.—Exact statistics of the dead and surviving in the earthquake district are still impossible to obtain, because all dead bodies buried under the ruins have not yet been exhumed. It is equally impossible to make any accurate count of the survivors, for they are today scattered from one end of the country to the other. The only figures that can be given are reached by calculating the total populations before the disaster and subtracting therefrom the numbers that are supposed to have survived. The result is, of course, approximate.  
On this basis is made the estimate that about 25,000 people have left Messina and the commune. As the total population of the city and commune was about 155,000, and as there are still about 15,000 people still in the district, the dead probably number close to 115,000.  
The victims are increasing daily, not only through the dying of the injured, but also by the many suicides committed by the desperate survivors.

## Harriman Lines Extended.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Extensive work on the Harriman lines, officials say, is to be pushed during the coming summer. The Southern Pacific is to build north on an air line from Den son, through Topeka to Lincoln, Neb. The Union Pacific is to build a double track line from Omaha through Lincoln, connecting with the present line on Pacific main line at Central City, Neb. Arrangements are being completed by General Manager Mohler, of the Union Pacific, for the Central City cut-off through Lincoln.

## Used Dead Man's Name.

Los Angeles, Jan. 4.—One of the smoothest swindlers that has been worked in the West is being perpetrated on merchants of the Pacific coast by an unknown man, who is flitting checks ostensibly given by W. A. Cowen, ex-clerk of the Supreme court of the state of Tennessee. The latter, according to advices from Nashville, has been dead several years. When a check was returned from Nashville with the statement Cowden had departed.

## Crooks Make Heavy Haul.

Los Angeles, Jan. 4.—A Los Angeles thief began the new year with what is doubtless the heaviest haul, weight considered, ever made in this state. He got away with 100 tons of coal, valued at \$1,500, from the yards of the Black Canyon Coal company, on South Alameda street. The greater part of the coal, for blacksmiths, was valued at \$17,50 per ton.

## COUGHS AND COLDS

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**Not Kidding.**  
Hick Jayet—Nocker says you spend the best part of your life in eating.  
Hock Dooet—Huh! The time any man spends in eating is the best part of his life.

**Positive Explanation.**  
Mrs. Biggs—My husband seems to be lost in thought about half the time.  
Mrs. Digg—I suppose his ideas are so far apart that he can't help getting lost on the way from one to the other.

**Merely Tentative.**  
"What is the baby's name?"  
"It's Mary now, but I suppose it will be Mayme, or Mae, or Marie as soon as she gets old enough to name it."

**All Wasted.**  
"George," said Farmer Scapple to his son, "if you had this year of mine as your hand what would you do with it?"  
"O, I don't know, father," answered George. "Trim it down with a razor, I guess."  
"And I've spent \$4,000 giving you a medical education," growled Farmer Scapple.—Chicago Tribune.

**Following a Bad Precedent.**  
"What kind of pavement are you going to put along this street?"  
"Well, it is our intention."  
"So that's the kind, is it? Great Pluto! Why don't you move out of this neighborhood? You don't have to live here, do you?"

**The Diagnosis.**  
Sloboy—Doctor, I'm troubled with insomnia. I tumble and toss in bed all night long. What do you suppose is the cause of it?  
Doctor—Perhaps you are worrying over that lady you owed me for the past two years.

**Learning the Points of the Game.**  
Girl in Grand Stand—Harry, who is that man everybody is cheering?  
Her Escort—That's Grabsey, the right tackle.  
Girl—I see—and the fellow he threw down and jumped on is the wrong tackle, a he?

**Obeying an Injunction.**  
The Rev. Dr. Fourtly, hearing a band organ playing ragtime music in front of his premises, closed his storm door.  
"For Solomon says, you know," remarked the doctor, "that 'the doors shall be shut in the streets when the sound of the grinding is low.'"

**Incorrigible.**  
Stella—Is she a souvenir fiend?  
Zella—Dreadful! The last dinner she attended she carried away the cook.—New York Sun.

**Only 7 per cent of the food of a French peasant consists of meat, while an English navy's food is 23 per cent meat.**

**The Sultan of Morocco must choose his four real wives from among his cousins, and the King of Siam is forced to marry his sisters.**

**Nude Polly.**  
The sweet young thing with the beautiful red hair approached the parrot's cage. "Pretty Polly!" she said.  
"Fire!" screamed the parrot.

**Everybody Knows.**  
"Why do you call your cat Boon strang?" inquired the caller.  
But the answer the other woman made to this question is so obvious that the historian refuses to insult the intelligence of the reader by recording it.

**True Enough.**  
Policeman (to unskilled rider)—Go back! No thoroughfare here. Can't you read that sign?  
Rider—I can, but my horse can't.—Translated from Tales from Filigendo Wister.

## BEST FORAGE PLANT.

### Washington State Experiment Station Makes Extensive Investigation.

In order to discover a forage plant which will grow and yield profitable crops in the so-called "dry section" of the state, the staff of the State College Experiment Station has carried on extensive investigations at both the local and sub-stations during the past year. Scores of forage plants have been planted and tested, and at the present stage of this experimentation, it is known that milo maize, Jerusalem corn, artichokes, Kaffir corn, and amber cane corn are among the best adapted plants for "dry farming."  
The work of the sub-station at Connel has been carried along four lines: First, there has been an effort to determine the best method of handling summer fallow, including a study of the effect of certain tools; second, there has been a study of the adaptability of various well-known dry land forage plants to central Washington conditions; third, a study of the effect of growing a cultivated crop, in place of the summer fallow, upon the wheat crop; fourth, there has been a study of the adaptability and methods of seeding of well-known dry land grasses, and legumes.  
Although the past season has been an exceptionally dry one, and the results could not be expected to show forage crops in as favorable a light as the average season would, yet several plants showed up very promising. Among these were Jerusalem corn, milo maize, Kaffir corn, artichokes and amber cane corn. Another promising one was a small, early maturing variety of dent corn.  
Other plants tried were cow peas, soy beans, chick peas, common millet, Japanese millet, Hungarian millet, golden millet, common field peas, kale, rape, popcorn and flint corn.  
On September 10 the milo maize showed itself to be the best drought resister. This plant grows very similar to corn, except that it scatters a great deal more, and is more leafy. Jerusalem corn and Kaffir corn are both very similar in appearance to common corn, being about midway between common corn and milo maize. Their seed, however, is borne in a large and fairly compact head, or bunch on the end of the stalk. They yield quite heavily in most places, and judging from this year's experience, would mature a fair quantity of seed. Corn, which makes very useful feed for poultry and swine.

The difference in the showing of Jerusalem and Kaffir corn and milo maize was quite noticeable. While the leaves of the two former plants did not dry up the inner parts of the stalks were about one-third smaller in size than the plants on the outer edge. This showed that their growth had been materially checked by the shortage of moisture. The trial leaves of the Jerusalem corn and Kaffir corn are both very similar in appearance to common corn, being about midway between common corn and milo maize. Their seed, however, is borne in a large and fairly compact head, or bunch on the end of the stalk. They yield quite heavily in most places, and judging from this year's experience, would mature a fair quantity of seed. Corn, which makes very useful feed for poultry and swine.

The present season's growth could not be considered a proved crop, but corn of the same strain grown on land adjoining the experiment station last year was a fair crop and may be taken as a fairly good demonstration. What could be done with dent corn in any good, dry land farm? The seed, however, would have to be adapted to the locality.  
The flint corn and the popcorn made a good stand, and matured well, but their growth was so small that they could not be given consideration in comparison with dent corn. The artichokes made an excellent stand, and showed remarkable ability to continue their growth throughout the entire dry season.  
Whether it would pay to utilize any land for the growing of these crops is an open question. The other plants that were used made so light a growth this season that further tests will be necessary before they can be considered as even promising.  
Of the non-cultivated forage plants the most promising was the alfalfa. This made a fairly good stand and continued to grow slowly throughout the entire season. On September 10 it stood about eighteen inches or two feet high. As the first season is needed to establish alfalfa, this is considered an excellent showing. The alfalfa was seeded with a grain drill, which allowed the seed to be conducted down into the shoes of the drill, so that it was deposited in moist soil. It is questionable whether a good stand could be secured by broadcast seeding and harrowing in.  
Hair vetch made a poor stand, but a promising growth. The tenacity with which they cling to the soil when once established makes it rather questionable whether it would pay to seed good grain land to vetch, unless permanent pasture is desired.  
Of the grasses, the most promising was the slender wheat grass; smooth brome grass. Neither of these grasses, however, showed up as well as the alfalfa. Another season's growth is needed to determine anything definite regarding their production. Other grasses tried were meadow fescue, orchard grass, tall oat grass. None of these grasses made a show worthy of mention. Since the past season has been exceptionally dry, they will be given another trial.

The only suggestions the station has to make to farmers regarding these forage crops are that alfalfa, brome grass, acclimated dent corn, milo maize, Jerusalem corn and Kaffir corn are worthy of trial in a small way. The farmer had better learn how to handle them, however, before trying them on a large scale.

**Water-Line Woes.**  
When you would put your dexter in around a girl, it is a sin,  
A crying shame,  
To get, I claim,  
All lacerated by a pin.  
—The Gossp.

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