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5c For regular 50c sheets.	14c For best quality white Jap silks. Regular \$3.50 and \$4 value.	98c For R. M. C. corsets. Regular \$1.25 and \$1.50 values. Best quality.	15c For 42x36 pillow cases, regular 15c values.	Corset Covers From 15c up to \$1.50. All reduced to 1/2 their actual value.	38c yard For best 50c grade Jap wash silk, full 24 inch wide.	

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WHERE THE FARMERS' MONEY GOES

Sears, Roebuck & Co., the great Chicago catalog house, which heretofore has been capitalized at five millions, has suddenly blown out into a great corporation with a capital of forty million dollars.

This evidence means that it has been turned over to a great Wall street syndicate, and that the concern which the farmers of the country have been so persistently and determinedly contributing their money to, under the mistaken impression that they were serving their own interests, has sold them out to the very class of men whom they most hate.

It is claimed, though we are free to admit we do not know upon what authority, that Mr. Sears who, as the Journal has previously stated, started out only fifteen years ago with no capital, retired from this new deal with a cash bonus of ten million dollars and a very considerable block of stock in the new syndicate. All this, of course, represents the money the honest granger has been pouring into his coffers under the delusion that he was getting his goods so much cheaper than he could possibly have bought them at home of the greedy and avaricious home dealer! But, if he will stop to figure it out, he will find that it would represent the combined profits of a vast army of retail dealers throughout the West, prosperous as a good many of them may be, to equal the enormous swag with which Mr. Sears, who has engineered this gigantic scheme during the past fifteen years, has been enabled to retire.

There is altogether a mistaken notion on the part of the farmer regarding the profits made by the dealer. If he gets an inkling of the wholesale price of a plow or drill or a harrow and compares it with the price he pays for it, he concludes immediately that the dealer must be getting rich as Croesus, and that he, the farmer, is simply digging up his hard-earned money and throwing it into the passing hat of mendicant. He does not take it into consideration the numerous other facts in the case—the freight, insurance, interest on the investment, liability of loss from dishonest customers, rent, clerk hire, taxes, and the dozen other items the dealer knows about to his sorrow. Neither does he take into consideration, when he buys of the catalog house, that he does not have a chance to see the article before he buys it; that he has no way, in most cases, of finding out whether it is really as represented until he has used it for a while and finds it break down or go to pieces on his hands, with no opportunity for redress, for his money is already gone, and gone so far as to be entirely out of reach. He does not take into consideration, either, although it has been referred to in many local papers and in practically all the trade papers, that the catalog house does nothing whatever for his town in the way of taxes or improvements or donations in time of trouble or stress; that, in other words, it is "all going out and nothing coming in," and he does not stop to think that there is a day of reckoning coming and "what will he do when the rent comes round?"

Reciprocity is a principle of economics. A condition in which everything goes out and nothing comes in cannot last long; and that is in practical effect what the mail order business is. It drains a community of its commercial life blood and, if persisted in, the thriving country villages will eventually become ruined and deserted, and with them will surely go the prosperity and value of the farms; for the markets will be destroyed, and without them, both the social life and the financial profit of the farm will disappear, and in time the country revert to a wilderness. Of course, this picture is rather luridly drawn, but it is the logical outcome of such a course if carried to the limit.

The Journal does not believe that things will ever come to such a pass, even in spite of the enormous catalog house trust just organized, and which is so strikingly cartooned by the general Merchants' Review because it has too much faith in the business acumen and spirit and enterprise of the merchants of the country. They will have to fight, and fight hard; but they will yet win. But it will have to be by concerted, intelligent effort. It is high time for every dealer, in whatever line, to throw aside his prejudices, overcome his distrust of his competitor—who, in ninety-nine cases out of 100, at a low estimate, is more honorable than the catalog house—and join hands with his associates, and association with association, to meet this, the greatest evil of the trade today. It must include, also, whatever else may be done, a campaign of education among the farmers, to show up

to them in their true light the innate evils of catalog house trade, its disastrous effects on their home towns and markets, upon the value of their farms, and more directly, perhaps, how they are actually losing money on their purchases, although they have to pay cash for them, and often, in order to do this, defraud the home dealer by keeping from him money long past due him for goods purchased when the catalog house would not let them have credit. The average farmer, like anyone else, is amenable to good, sound argument, and by getting together and comparing notes the merchants of the country ought certainly to be able to develop a line of argument that would be unanswerable.—Implement Trade Journal.

Maypop, a New Fruit.
A new fruit that seems likely to prove of considerable value has been developed by the cultivation of the common "maypop," a plant that is very familiar in the southern states, quite ornamental, easily grown from seeds and affords a handsome cover for arbors and verandas. It is known to botanists as Passiflora incarnata. The fruit in its improved form is somewhat bigger than a hen's egg and decidedly palatable. It looks like a May apple.

More important, however, is the recognition which the plant has recently obtained as the source of a harmless drug which is utilized by physicians as a sleep producer and nerve soother. Unfortunately, most nerve-acting and sleep-producing drugs create habits which are difficult to throw off and in their after effects they are liable to be injurious. But the fruit extract of the maypop which is obtained from the leaves and flowers, while wonderfully effective as a soporific, has no habits which are difficult to throw off and its appearance before long in our markets.

Natural Ice Factory.
Latah county, Idaho, has a natural ice factory that produces ice at any time of the year. The fact is not generally known and the location is known to but few. This "natural factory" is located about a quarter of a mile from Clyd's spur, between Vollmen and Kendrick.

About a quarter of a mile back from the spur is a bench at the foot of a cliff. Rocks have fallen from the cliff and formed a huge pile. It is here the ice is formed. The cliff is about 80 feet in height and is of basalt. Water coming from beneath the cliff freezes in the numerous pockets abounding in the rock. While the supply is not large enough for commercial purposes, those who live near the place and know its location often go there on the hottest days and procure enough to freeze ice cream. A bucket of water placed in any of the holes freezes solid in a short time. The area is about 40 feet in diameter and on the hottest days when the sun is beating down on the place, it is cool and pleasant. Another curious fact is that near this

spot there are warm areas. Even in the winter when the snow falls all around there are some spots where no snow can be found and a vapor or mist seems to issue from the ground at all times, showing it to be much warmer than the rock formation.

Flour Sold By the Red Cross.
W. C. Edgar, of Minneapolis, chairman of the relief fund committee for San Francisco sufferers, is in receipt of the following telegram from his correspondent in San Francisco concerning the sale of Minneapolis flour by General Greeley: "The Red Cross finance committee is lying. Examiner has thousands of applications for flour. Large numbers of clergymen also demanding flour for their needy parishes."

"General opinion is a serious offense has been committed in selling goods donated to the committee for free distribution. Would advise taking action immediately."
Edgar's reply follows: "Believing in good faith of Red Cross we unfortunately turned over every dollar of our funds to its agents. We therefore have no money to make legal fight against this shameful misappropriation which is endorsed by national authorities at Washington."
Edgar's mail contains many letters from fire and earthquake sufferers complaining bitterly of the treatment accorded them by the citizen's committee. They declare every pound of flour which Greeley had on hand is badly needed and the big game system of furnishing supplies obtains in all quarters. These letters come from illiterate and educated people.

Nearly Over the Falls.
Cello falls came near being the scene of another accident and Winters, Parsons & Boomer the losers of a staunch little steamer.

Just before noon the crew of the steamer Mildred, which is from 30 to 40 feet long and is used in carrying supplies for the camp, was running her up the river when a valve broke, rendering her unmanageable. Realizing the danger of staying by her they lowered the anchor and took to small boats, leaving her to her fate. When about 200 feet above the falls the anchor caught and the little boat was saved.

In some manner a cable was stretched and she was drawn to the shore, the owners being greatly relieved for the Mildred was not a mass of floating ruins below the mighty fall.—Chronicle.

Will Build Steel Bridge.
Because it has found that steel bridges may be constructed as cheaply as wooden ones, the county court of Unadilla county has decided to change its plans for the repair of the bridges across the river at Pendleton and at Echo, and to erect bridges made of steel instead.

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