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A good motto: Always do your best, but not your best friend.

We surely live in a funny old world. Men will assess their lands at \$10 and \$20 per acre, then refuse a hundred dollars per acre and grow about taxes.

We are unable to figure out how we are going to get to use that old last summer's suit in weather like this. And it's getting devilish close to the time when we will have to do something.

Let us consider the fact that Garwood is about as good and prosperous a young town as there is anywhere in the state. Therefore anything you do for the town's advancement, whether large or small, will help greatly.

Work is a guardian angel. Work turns the wilderness into a garden. York does sometimes what even we can not do; roots a man firmly in his place in the world and gives in the blessed sensation. This plot of ground in the wide immensity of which was meant for men to grow in, Robert Hichens.

What a rich man to draw a girl, a pretty girl to draw attention, a girl to draw a heavy load and a girl to draw a crowd. Really in a nearby town one of the girls was pulled off, but unfortunately it lasted but a second—only a lick—when the loser was hit and when he hit the floor.

No better pecans grow than those found in our county. The shipping of the nuts is quite a means of revenue to tree owners. The value of the nuts as food is being widely advertised. It behooves our growers to well care for their valuable trees, many of which are threatened before the nuts ripe, limbs are bruised and broken, thus impairing the quality of the nuts and injuring the trees.

EVERYTHING that will bring people into the Garwood trade territory will be money in the pockets of the people of the town. Then why should we not risk a few dollars in the development of enterprises that will bring the people? Town building is a business just like every other business and takes investment. Let us see to it that no enterprise suffers for the lack of our support, whether it be in the country or in town, for without the former we cannot exist.

A CERTAIN man in Vernon who has been in the habit of wiping the dishes for his good wife became tired of the practice and told her he was going to quit it. She asked him if she would show him from the Bible that it was his duty to wipe the dishes, would he continue to do so, and he readily consented. She got the Bible and turned to II Kings xxi, 21, and read: "And will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it and turning it upside down." He gave in, and now dutifully performs his task.—Vernon Call.

THEY DIDN'T PASS—HIM

—And it came to pass that after he had advertised his goods, there came unto him great multitudes from all the regions round about and did buy of him. And when his competitors saw it they marvelled among themselves, saying: "How be it that this man is busy while we loaf idly about our doors?" And he spake unto them: "In this fast age of push and rustle it is easier for a camel to enter the eye of a needle than for a man to flourish without advertising."

The main crops of this section are cotton, corn and rice, and a considerably increased acreage has been planted this year. Owing to the unfavorable seasons, too dry at planting time and too wet at harvesting time, the yield was just fair. Of course drouths cannot be averted. But if this country was lined with an adequate drainage system to drain water off of the lands after rain, instead of waiting days for it to soak into the ground, the farmers would have been able to gather all their products, whose loss this year would more than pay for the work of digging drainage ditches. There's something to it, brother, think it over carefully.

THERE is nothing, says an exchange that will make us more prosperous than clean streets and good sidewalks. Such improvements will attract strangers, and the more strangers we attract the more extra money we bring into the community, and this is the way he figures it: "If a man sells a piece of property to his neighbor the wealth of the community is not increased—it is like taking a dollar out of your left pocket and putting it into your right. But if this man should sell to someone from another community then his community would be made just that much wealthier. It becomes apparent, therefore, that bringing strangers to our community will help us." That is good logic, is it now?

If you see some feller tryin' For to make some project go, You can boost it up a trifle; That's your cue to let him know That you're not goin' to knock it. Just because it ain't your 'shout, But you're going to boost a little, 'Cause he's got the 'best thing out.'

If you know some feller's fallin', Just forget 'em; 'cause you know That same feller's got some good points, Them's the ones you want to show; 'Cast your loaves out on the waters, They'll come back,' 's a sayin' true Mebbe they will come back buttered.

When some feller boosts for you," Every man has a duty to perform as a citizen in his town by helping it to grow and making it a better place in which to live.—Palestine Evening Record.

Right! Any kicker anywhere is in part to blame for the conditions that rouse his ire. If he but put his shoulder to the wheel conditions will improve; if he shove he will not have time to complain. Sincerity is the great moral moving force; any one truly public-spirited citizen can induce hundreds into his way of thinking. Fortunately, pessimists are rarely if ever sincere; the best—that is, the worst—of them is merely persistent. People believe what you believe. The pessimist really does not believe in his complaints; if he did he wouldn't be a danger rather than a joke.—Galveston News.

WHAT DRAINED LAND DID.

We are herewith reproducing an article which appeared in a recent issue of the Galveston News.

"Dayton, Texas, Oct. 27.—About 350 bales of cotton have been ginned at the new gin recently constructed by R. S. Sterling of Houston, and which is being operated and managed by his brother, J. B. Sterling of Dayton.

At this time last year there were fewer than twenty-five bales ginned. Then there was only one small gin, which is not being operated any more. The present plant was completed only a few weeks ago at a cost of about eight thousand dollars.

In the past little cotton has been raised in this part of Liberty County for the reason that the land was raw and undrained. Now that the land is drained and many new farmers have moved here and bought farms, cotton is being raised on a larger scale than at any time since before the civil war. It is estimated that about eight hundred bales will be ginned here. This is really the first year that anyone has attempted to raise cotton on anything like a large scale here.

Many of the farmers who planted no cotton this year expect to put in a large crop next year. It is expected that at least four times as much cotton will be raised here as has been raised this year."

The fact that this land was practically no good until it was drained shows of what benefit a drainage system is. Of course our country is not in quite as bad a condition as that in Liberty county was but our drainage is very poor, so poor that a good part of the farmer's crop is lost every year by not being able to gather it on account of wet fields. The loss to our farmers and business men this year would have more than paid for an adequate drainage system. So the drainage proposition is one of vital importance to all of us and should have our careful consideration. The drain ditches could be made alongside our public roads and thus also improve them considerably. This issue would be the right step in the direction of a better country, a more prosperous town and community and a better citizenship. It is a business proposition plain and simple.

If it were a penitentiary offense for a newspaper man to help himself to another man's woodpile, the male force of the Express would have to break rock the rest of their days. But watcha gonna do when the thin summer clothes won't stay off old crimp.—Garwood Express.

State Press has found that about four folds of print paper wrapped about the person and tied in the middle is an efficacious remedy for the said malady.—Galveston News.

Thanks, for the newspaper overcoat.

There is no load that will break a man down so quickly and so surely as a load of revenge. The man who tries to get even with others has few opportunities of gratifying his hatred but he is all the time corroding himself. The man with a grouch or a grievance is in that class. A sulky or vindictive temper isolates a man from all real friendships as completely as a smallpox quarantine isolates him from persons. And it makes the man as unhappy as smallpox makes him.—The Brotherhood.

Good Roads Days, (Wednesday and Thursday) were not observed here on account of the heavy rain that fell late Tuesday evening, filling ditches with water and putting the roads in such a muddy condition that it was impossible to do any work on them that would have been of any benefit at all.

Do not be discouraged if your work is criticized for it's impossible to please all the people all the time.

If opportunity does not knock at your door, advertise for it.

Often Lost Sight Of.

We call attention to a few of the points that are often overlooked when selecting a school to attend.

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Damm Family Meet.

New York.—After a 43-year absence, Adam Damm, Sr., a wealthy retired restaurant man of Sacramento, Cal., has returned to New York to rescue his family name from any blight cast upon it by the competitive fame of the newly risen Hell family of Pennsylvania, which is now advancing claims for superior public attention.

Forty-three years ago Adam Damm followed his brother, August Damm, to America, leaving behind him eight brothers and sisters in Bingen-on-the-Rhine, Germany, which is the home village of the Damm family. He paused a short time in New York, then went with three companions to Sacramento, where he married the daughter of a German "forty-miner," who crossed the plains in a covered wagon. Thereafter he remained quiescent, amassing a comfortable fortune in the restaurant business.

Two months ago various news services carried reports of the Hell family in Pennsylvania. Immediately Adam Damm, Sr., called a family reunion in Chicago, and with his Hell clippings, was there met by his nephews, Philip Strauss, a hotel man who is very proud of his mother's maiden name. Damm, Sr., had planned to have a family reunion in Chicago two years ago, but was unable at that time to corral his bunch. On the last occasion, however, the uncle and nephew came to New York to see Peter Damm, secretary and treasurer of the Fleischmann Vehicle company, and Miss Damm. Now Peter Damm, Adam, Sr., and Philip Strauss expect to go to Watertown, N. Y., to visit another branch of the Damm family.

August Damm's sons, who lived at Fort Hamilton, near New York, have disappeared, but the other Damm brothers also live in the central west, but their homes are not known.

Adam Damm, Sr., declares that his family is long lived, and that he has Damm relatives who are from ninety to one hundred and seven years old. He is proud of the fact that the Damm family is large and that all its members are artisans, mechanics or prosperous trades people. He confidently expects that other Damm men will be found. He says he remembers very little of New York in 1870.

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