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They have won success by pleasing the people, and by liberal advertising. Queen and Crescent Route. "GLIMPSES OF THE WORLD'S FAIR." A Selection of 102 Gems of the White City Seen Through the Camera. This handsome volume, containing 102 photographic half-tone views of the entire Exposition, showing all Main Buildings, all State and Territorial Buildings, all Foreign Buildings, Grounds, Statues, Lagoons, and about 40 views of the Great Midway Place, will be sent to any address on receipt of 25 cents and five cents for postage. This book has been issued by the greatest of Southern Railroads—the Queen and Crescent Route—and its excellence is without a flaw. A most delightful collection of exquisite views, in a small and convenient sized book. Many such collections are large and cumbersome. Send your address and 30 cents to W. C. RINEBORN, General Passenger Agent, Cincinnati, O. The coin we use in this world is not current in the other. We must therefore go to God as petitioners, and not as purchasers.—Jackson. FOR OVER FIFTY YEARS Mrs. Winslow's Sore Throat Syrup has been used for children's teething, softens the gums, always relieves, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Nothing so clearly discovers a spiritual man as his treatment of an erring brother, wishing to restore rather than to upbraid him.—St. Augustine. WANTED—Good reliable agents in every county to sell our latest BOOKS. No better sellers. \$2.00 per day guaranteed—good chance to make money. Address: ROANOKE PUB. COMPANY, Roanoke, Ala. Beware of indulgence in deception. The habit is destructive of the very power to be fruitful. IF YOUR BACK ACHES, or you are all worn out, really good for nothing, it is general indigestion. BROWN'S IRON BITTERS will cure you, cleanse your liver, and give you a good appetite. It is one thing to possess a Bible; it is another thing for the Bible to possess you. Many persons are taken down from overwork or household cares. Brown's Iron Bitters rebuilds the system, aids digestion, removes excess of bile, and cures malaria. Get the genuine. The Christian ought to resemble Christ in kindness, tender heartedness and willingness to forgive. "None better." Mr. Thomas Buckley, writing from the Iron Works, Elm Springs, Troy, N. Y., says: "Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is one of the finest cough syrups for Croup. None better. I always use it." Women exercise the right of suffrage, more or less restricted, in twenty-five states of the Union. The greatest of Infants! Mrs. E. M. Devlin, of Philadelphia, Pa., writes: "I use Salvation Oil for sore throat, rheumatism, etc., and find it one of the best liniments out." We should cultivate kindness to the one to the other, and should learn to forgive those who may wrong us, even as we ask God to forgive us. THE ADVERTISING Of Hood's Sarsaparilla is always within the bounds of reason because it is true; it is always fully substantiated by endorsements which, in the financial world, would be accepted without question. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures liver, constipation, biliousness, jaundice, sick headache, indigestion. We should put out of our life all thoughts that are unloving—bitterness, wrath and evil speaking. IT PAYS. It pays to read the papers, especially your own family paper, for often in this way good business opportunities are brought to your attention. For instance, B. F. Johnson & Co., of Richmond, Va., are now advertising offering paying positions to parties who engage with them, devoting all or any part of their time to their business interests. It might pay you to write to them. The same legislature in Georgia that passed a bill admitting women teachers to the normal branch of the State University, also voted down a bill for a reformatory for young criminals. "Consistency, thou art a jewel!" "AMONG THE OZARKS." THE LAND OF BIG RED APPLES, is an attractive and interesting book, handsomely illustrated with views of South Missouri scenery, including the famous Olden fruit farm of 3,000 acres in Howell county. It pertains to fruit raising in that great fruit belt of America, the southern slopes of the Ozarks, and will prove of great value, not only to fruit growers, but to every farmer and home seeker looking for a farm and home. Mailed free. Address, J. E. Lockwood, Kansas City, Mo.

Birmingham Conference. First Church—Pastor Gray preached at both services. Congregations small on account of bad weather. A number of candidates awaiting baptism. Elyton—Excellent prayer-meeting. Pastor preached at both hours; congregations small on account of inclement weather. Pratt City—Fifty-three in Sunday-school. Pastor Wood preached at 11 a. m., subject, "Praying for missions." At the close of sermon \$18.71 was collected for missions and \$5 for ministerial education. Church bought a splendid new organ. East Lake—Pastor Foster preached. A good Sunday school and good congregation considering the rough weather. Southside—Pastor Hale preached at 11 a. m., on "The Trial of Abraham's Faith," showing how it touched people of to-day, and at 7:30 p. m., on "The Question of the Day." The music was exceedingly enjoyable, especially the quartette of Messrs Walker and Smith, and Misses Clayton Dagg and Miss Fannie O. Robinson, with Mrs. DeLo at the organ. One addition by letter. Good Sunday-school for the weather. The pastor spent two days with Bro. Whittle in Mobile in the interests of Howard College, and reports a large prayer-meeting at St. Francis street church, and that the brethren gave the representatives of the college a kindly hearing and will do all they feel their duty. They are happy that the beloved Taylor will not leave them. Bro. Wood gave us the outline of a sermon on the "Blessedness of church unity," which was well gotten up and very helpful. MONTGOMERY CHURCHES. First Baptist Church—The inclement weather caused small attendance at the various services. An address to the Sunday-school, by the officers, was distributed, urging the school to familiarize themselves with the tenets of the denomination and what Baptist principles are doing for the world, also urging them to subscribe to the ALABAMA BAPTIST. At the morning service Dr. Eager preached from the text, Is. 26:3, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee." Adams Street—Attendance at Sabbath-school and morning service small on account of bad weather. Bro. Baber preached, and after service Rev. W. D. Gay accepted the call of the church to become its pastor. Bro. Gay preached at night to a fair congregation. Appointments in the Interest of Baptist Orphanage. Providence, Sunday, Mar. 11. Orrville, "night," 11. Safford, Monday, "12. Catherine, Tuesday, "13. Pine Hill, Wednesday, "14. Thomaville, Thursday, "15. Elam, Friday, "16. Forest Springs, Sat. and Sun., "17, 18. Nicholasville, Sun. night, "18. Grove Hill, Monday night, "19. Whitley, Tuesday, "20. Suggsville, Wednesday, "21. Walker Springs, Thursday, "22. Jackson, Friday, "23. JNO. W. STEWART, Evergreen. For Over-Indulgence Use Horsford's Acid Phosphate. Think of your head in the morning after a night's hard labor, and take Horsford's Acid Phosphate for speedy relief. The Abbeville Rally. A brother who attended kindly furnishes us the following notes: Not large congregations, but a fine spirit. Dr. Harris, of Troy, was there, and the best news we heard of him was that his prayer meetings are so crowded he must use chairs in the aisles. This brother held his own meeting in Columbus and received 120 additions to the church. He has witnessed 1,000 conversions in his fifteen years ministry. Bro. Barr, of Dothan, reported that he is building a magnificent church house, which is important on account of the commanding position occupied by the church. He has a most excellent helper in his wife. Bro. Mosely brought good reports from Ozark and Geneva. Genial Bro. Underwood said he never got such good eating for so little work in his life. Old Father Pitt Calloway was the youngest man present. Dr. Martin was among us, and the brethren showed their great regard for him by constant attentions. Bro. L. M. Bradley was called to the care of the church. Bro. Wm. D. Gay lectured and showed his magnificent pictures to a delighted audience. One brother cried out, "Show to-morrow night, and we will give you fifty cents!" The proceeds from the lecture and the collection amounted to \$40. This will help the young preachers to remain at school. Remember that we have no more faith at any time than we have in the hour of trial. All that will not bear to be tested is mere carnal confidence. Fair weather is no faith.—Spurgeon.

For the Alabama Baptist. Howard College—W. A. Whittle, Alabama Baptist—Founding-Brewster—Elim—B. J. Skinner—J. W. Stewart. I think a mistake was made when the Howard students, past and present, were called aside at the convention, and asked to foot the bill for salary, traveling expenses, &c., of financial agent of Howard College. I fear it may be interpreted as a boastful announcement: We will run the college. I opposed surrendering the college to state institutions, not from any bitterness toward them, or want of confidence in Taylor and Dickinson. I think them two of the greatest men in the South—but because I knew they did not mean it, and if they did, that was one among the few blunders ever committed by them, and the state would lose all denominational pride, and cut off the very fountain of development and progress. These brethren, with hundreds of others, who would rather see us stop than dragging along at such a slow pace, will still give as much or more toward endowment as any Howard student. It is the Baptists' college. Bro. Dickinson said: "It takes money as well as talk," after I made my speech in the convention for pressing its claims upon the country churches. I agree with him. If they can find the scratch of a pen against me, out of \$125 promised it since its removal—as much in proportion as any man gave—I would like to see it and settle it. It will be unfair, and I think unchristian, for any other man to withhold one dollar of his subscription, even if it must be paid at a sacrifice. We paid ours in good faith, and it is asserted that if all will pay amounts subscribed, the college will be safe. If it should not be, I do not think those promising should retain the whole amount of their subscriptions, but pay to the stock holders, so to speak, the prorata paid out. I would turn my part of it over to the college. Brethren, let us pay to and pray for our college. W. A. WHITTLE. I think now, was a wise choice. I know him as no other man knows him. I was in daily contact with him, when in youth he was struggling against ignorance, and in young manhood against pride and criticism, in paying his way to so honorable and enviable a manhood. Searching for the right, grasping it when discovered, fearlessly grappling with it, and every barrier to progress, persevering until he wins or dies; to fail, he must simply cease to be himself. Let us stand by him and never utter a word of discouragement. I do dissent from the view of P. T. Hale, as to lectures—I think it detracting somewhat from the dignity and importance of the subject—yet if Whittle adopts it, there will never be a word of opposition from me. Let's put him in the field untrammelled. God bless him and his work. THE ALABAMA BAPTIST. I must confess is showing signs of rapid development. It will yet become what many of us wish it, the peer of any state organ. One of its editors was with me not long since and preached and talked, and did my church good. He preached two magnificent sermons. He says I can beat him preaching; if it be true, he must have borrowed from some one. BREWSTER AND KLIM. Are progressing: the former owes but little on the old year, is receiving members every now and then, and has one of the best Sabbath-schools and Sunbeam societies you will find anywhere. I only regret that so many of them will not sympathize with their pastor in his devotion to Howard College. Elim has paid every dollar of old salary and called unanimously truly, with an increase of \$50 on salary, voluntarily. POUNDING. Has been noticed by so many, and I am due my people an apology for not noting earlier a heavy pounding at my home. Later on, presents of a valuable character gotten up by Miss Laura Lovelless. B. J. SKINNER. Left with his family for Texas last week. I do think it is a shame that men that were raised in our state, and of ability to edify any congregation, should be allowed to go to another state when we are having vacant churches at home. I regret his removal. We lose a strong man, and he went because compelled for the purpose of educating his children. I trust our misfortune in losing him will be counteracted by Texas' good fortune in getting him. I write seldom, and hence, about several things. BRO. JNO. W. STEWART. Was with us and preached, and made a good collection for Orphanage last Sabbath. B. H. CRUMPTON. It was the night that gave manna to the tribes of Israel. What the Scriptures style "bread of heaven" and "angels' food" was brought to them out of the thick darkness. And so the manna of divine truth comes to us from the night of sorrow, and the believing, living soul feeds and feasts on convictions and sentiments which ripen for it amid the shades of affliction.—Christian Index.

Resolutions of Respect. Whereas, on the 13th of February death removed from us our beloved sister, Mrs. R. M. Harris; be it Resolved 1st, That we, the members of the Ladies' Missionary and Aid Society of the Baptist church at Livingston, extend to her bereaved family our deepest Christian sympathy. Resolved 2d, That in her death we have lost a most faithful and earnest member. Resolved 3d, That as a feeble expression of our sympathy for the sorrowing ones, and as a token of our respect for the memory of our deceased sister, a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the society, a copy be sent to Mrs. Harris' family, and a copy be sent to the ALABAMA BAPTIST. Mrs. T. A. MOORE, Mrs. SALLIE COLEMAN, Mrs. HENRY L. MELLE. At a school for Indian boys the question was asked of a boy ten years old: "What does alcohol do to a man's brain?" "It makes him think crooked," he replied. The Baptists of Alabama should do much for God this year. The enemy is well armed. The battles will be many. Let us put on the whole armor of God, and go out to meet our adversary. Let us put to flight the enemy of our immortal souls. Let us do more for the heathen than we did last year. Let us open our mouths for God. Let us pray for better times generally. Fraternally, H. W. LANTRIP. Beecham's Pills. A glass of water immediately upon arising in the morning. Painless, Effective, Covered with a Tasteless, Soothing Coating. "Worth a Guinea a Box."—Price only 25 cents. Official druggists, or a box will be mailed on receipt of 25 cents in stamps by R. B. Allen Co., 212 West 4th St., New York. Eggs for Hatching. White Wyandottes exclusively. Eggs \$1.00 for 13; \$2.00 for 30. Pure White Pigeons \$1.00 per pair. DR. HARRISON, Bladen Springs, Choctaw Co., Ala. RAY RUSHTON, ATTORNEY AT LAW, MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA. Office in Pollak Building, Corner Dexter Ave. and Perry St. T. E. HARRISON, W. B. DAVIDSON, HANNON & DAVIDSON, Real Estate and Insurance, 512 Dexter Avenue, Montgomery, Alabama. We Buy, Sell and Rent Real Estate on Commission. We will insure your property against fire. We will insure your life. We will insure your money. Your Neighbors! Who have used Ivey's "Quick Relief" For ASTHMA, will tell you that it RELIEVES ALMOST INSTANTLY, and is the pleasantest, and most convenient remedy they know of, and that our celebrated "I. Q. R." for "Catarrh," is actually a household necessity, and relieves the worst head colds in a moment's time. Price each, 50 cents per bottle. Special prices to druggists. MANUFACTURED BY DR. B. P. IVEY & CO., Montgomery, Ala. HOOD'S PILLS FOR COUGHS, COLDS, BRONCHITIS, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF THE THROAT AND LUNGS. Are You Unemployed? Will you work for \$10 per week? Write to me at once. JOSEPH E. GAY, Prop. C. P. & L. 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I have been using the Electropoise two months with the very best results. I have been afflicted with kidney disease for ten years, also bronchitis, severe nervous headache and rheumatism of the arms and shoulders. I was so afflicted that I had to abandon my ministerial work. My life a burden, company a burden, everything a failure with me. My health has gradually improved from the first application of the Electropoise, and it is wonderful to say that my troubles are apparently well in so short a time.

I have treated my family and others with equal success. The value of the Electropoise is inestimable, and I give my unsolicited testimony for the benefit of those suffering from afflictions similar to mine.

Yours truly, S. J. KNOWLES, Headland, Ala., Nov. 23, 1893.

### I WOULD NOT PART

WITH IT FOR \$1,000, IS WHAT W. R. HOLT, OF RUSSELLVILLE, KY., SAYS OF THE ELECTROPOISE.

Two years ago I had a gripple, from the effects of which I have never recovered. In November of last year I was confined to bed, suffering intense pain in the head, face and shoulders.

My right lower limb was swollen and cracked open like a piece of baked pork. I was growing worse and worse, and could not sleep at night. I heard of the Electropoise and rented one. In less than a week I began to feel the effects of it, and it made me sleep so nicely, I wanted to use it all the time. It was in February when I began to use it, and in a short time I was able to go to my work, which is butchering, walking a mile to my work. My limb all healed up. When I feel tired and worn out from work, I put on the 'Poise and get a good night's rest. I would not part with it for \$1,000. I think it one of the greatest blessings to man on earth.

Respectfully, W. R. HOLT, Russellville, Ky., Sept. 1, 1893.

### REV. J. R. ROBERSON

CHOOSES A MOST ESTIMABLE COMPANION FOR LIFE.

Extract from a recent letter:

I suffered dread almost for years from spinal rheumatism. Had to keep hunched nearly all the time. I was almost a drug store then, and now I am stout and hearty. My spine is not entirely well, but a great deal better than when I commenced to use the Electropoise about ten months ago. I then weighed about 140 pounds, now I weigh 165 pounds. Then I had poor appetite and bad digestion; now I have a good appetite for three meals a day, eat everything and have good digestion. I never enjoyed eating more in my life. I am strong and able to do good work. I cannot get along without the Electropoise, and if I were offered \$200 for mine this morning, and never permitted to use another one, I would not take it. I expect to own one the rest of my life.

You can publish this if it will be any benefit to suffering humanity.

REV. J. R. ROBERSON, North Mississippi Conference, Capetown, Miss., Jan. 26, 1893.

For further information in regard to the Electropoise and for a fifty-page pamphlet describing treatment and giving testimonials of responsible parties, write to

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### Telling a Person's Age.

There was once a wise king who was very curious. He was possessed of a desire to know everything, and was continually asking questions. Indeed, his thirst for knowledge carried him so far that he wanted to know the age of every person he met. But being a king he was exceedingly polite and would resort to strategy to gain his end. One day there came to the court a gray-haired professor, who amused the king greatly. He told the monarch a number of things that he never knew before, and the king was delighted. But finally it came to the point where the ruler wanted to know the age of the professor, so he thought of a mathematical problem.

"Ahem!" said the king. "I have an interesting sum for you; it is a trial in mental arithmetic. Think of the number of the month of your birth."

Now, the professor was sixty years old, and had been born two days before Christmas, so he thought of 12, December being the twelfth month.

"Yes," said the professor. "Multiply it by two," continued the king.

"Add 5," answered the professor, doing so.

"Now, multiply that by 50," said the king.

"Add your age," said the king.

"Subtract 365," said the king.

"Add 115," said the king.

"And now," said the king, "might I ask what the result is?"

"Twelve hundred and sixty," replied the professor, wondering.

"Thank you," was the king's response.

"So you were born in December, sixty years ago, eh?"

"Why, how in the world do you know?" cried the professor.

"Why," retorted the king, "from your answer—1,260. The month of your birth was the twelfth and the last two figures give your age."

"Ha, ha, ha!" laughed the professor. "Capital idea. I'll try it on the next person I meet. It's such a polite way of finding out people's ages."—Selected.

### A Rag.

A pretty rag that I have never seen described is woven from rather coarse rags. Have a strong frame the size you wish your rag. Then select some dark colored rags for the foundation. Tie one end of the rag around the frame at one end, then stretch the rag tight and tie around the frame at the other end. Take another rag and tie as close to the first one as possible, and so continue tying your dark rags until you have the ends of the frame as full as possible. Then you are ready to begin weaving. Take a bright colored rag and thread a needle with it, or, if too large to go through the eye of the needle, tie it around a small stick and weave in and out across the dark foundation. Then take a different colored rag and weave it, or weave several rags of one color, then several of another, just as you prefer. I have used black for a foundation and red, white and blue with which to weave. After you have woven several rags, take your bodkin or stick and push them up close together, so that when you are through, it will be woven as close as possible. When you have finished weaving, take one end or side from the frame, and tie the ends of the rags closely. Leave the ends, or cut them off within half an inch, whichever you prefer, until you have all ended tied. Line if desired.

—The Home.

Table Etiquette in General.

A host should not stand while eating.

No argumentative or in any way unpleasant topic should be broached at the table.

There should be no difference between "company manners" and those in daily use.

The napkin is not folded, but is simply crushed and laid beside the plate on rising.

Coffee may be served at any time during breakfast, but should come at the end of dinner.

Do not overload the plate of a guest, or press upon any one that which he has once declined.

Remember the maxim of Confucius: "Eat at your own table as you would at the table of the king."

Never say or do, or countenance in others the saying or doing of anything rude or impolite at the table.

Never notice or comment upon any accident, but render unobtrusively any assistance which may be necessary and possible.

The side of the spoon is to be placed to the mouth, except in the case of a man wearing a mustache, when the point of the spoon leads the way.

### Is Temperance Retrogressing?

Let us face facts without flinching. At present the liquor traffic efforts are not directed to keep people from buying and drinking intoxicants. The old drink customs are stealing back again. A generation is growing up without much instruction in the A B C of total abstinence. Temperance organizations decrease in numbers, and too many pulpits are silent, or only speak out in cheap and easy denunciations of the accursed dram dena. A reform that will not learn by sore experience and which throws aside the weapons with which it once gained victories is doomed to failure. We never shall conquer at the ballot box until we have conquered the voters by arguments and persuasion. We never can stop the sale of intoxicants until more check is put to drinking them. God never means that a great moral warfare against a colossal sin shall be shirked by his people and turned over to tender mercies of political strategists. Our great reform has reached a crisis, and without mutual recrimination let us refresh the weapons that on God's splendid execution and in God's name and God's strength chase out our ranks in united onset against the foe.—Rev. Dr. Cuyler.

The South Carolina Liquor Law.

Many of our readers know that South Carolina is trying the experiment of the state taking charge of the sale of liquors, and selling them under strict regulations at certain places. Of course the whiskey men and the politicians who depend on the bar-room for success are opposed to the law. S. D. Buck, of Maryland, visited South Carolina and investigated the workings of the law, and then writes from Aiken to The Baptist, of Baltimore:

"Knowing your dislike to whiskey and intemperance, I called at one of 'Governor Tillman's bars' this morning to get from the manager the workings of this law and found the Baptist minister here, Rev. E. E. Bowman, had called only yesterday for the same purpose. I went to see him and got the following statistics: Law went into force July, 1893. Sales in this town during July, \$763; August, \$912; September, \$1,338; October, \$1,695; November, \$1,716; December, \$2,494. Now the question in this state is, what of this law? Is it for the good of the state and people, or is it the reverse? I have assumed this with many, and find fully three-fourths of the best people of the state heartily approve the law; and I do assure you from my observation it is next to prohibition. You rarely ever see a drunken man; it has completely done away with the abominable habit of treating. Not a drop of the stuff will be sold to boys, and no man can buy but once a day. Better still, it has completely wiped out of existence the pool table, dice boxes and gambling dens generally found behind every bar where our young men are made gamblers, and where their morals are debased by the bar-room vulgarity in song, story and smutty yarns, as disgusting as degrading. It is claimed that the law has caused many to violate both law and conscience by opening what are known as 'blind tigers.' This may be and is doubtless true, but then you must remember those who violate the law are of the same kind and as a rule of the 'red nose class,' who would violate any law, no matter how good, if it kept them from debasing themselves and others. The red nosed majors and colonels are especially its enemies, so are they the enemies of our boys who will soon be men and control the nation. If we cannot wipe out every drop of the accursed stuff, can we not, as are used in this state, to protect our young people from the demoralizing influences of the bar arrayed in the richest and most costly manner to entice and lead them astray? No mixed drinks to tempt the taste can be had in South Carolina. Yes, I admit that the law is violated, but not any oftener than the law prohibiting stealing. Such being the case, should stealing be licensed? Not at all. I do pray that other states will take this matter up and see if it will not be beneficial."

To Moderate Drinkers.

It is claimed by some good people that drinking intoxicating liquors in moderation is not sinful. Well, grant it to be true, drunkenness is always preceded by moderate drinking, and moderate drinking only leads to drunkenness. Total abstinence would then be best for two reasons: 1. As a prudential measure, as perfect safety from drunkenness is always with total abstinence. 2. For love's sake, and the love you should have for those who may attempt to follow your example of moderate drinking and fall into drunkenness.—Meridian (Miss.) Baptist Record.

### FOR THE FARM.

Does it Pay to Use Commercial Fertilizers?

J. B. Hunnicutt discusses this question in the Southern Cultivator, and concludes as follows:

Whether we shall buy commercial fertilizers thus becomes a question of commercial economy. Which is cheaper? Shall we buy or work? In any given case, each man must decide for himself.

The bought plant food is very rapid in doing its work. Being rendered soluble by powerful acids, they do their work quickly. If intelligently used, they often yield large profits.

Again, it is undoubtedly true that they pay larger profits in proportion as we have done more thorough work. They are soluble in water, but not available to the plant without water. Hence the better the supply of water, the larger the yield. But the deeper we plow and oftener we harrow, the more water the soil will hold and yield.

We see, therefore, that the very method we use to enable us to do without commercial fertilizers, renders the use of them the more profitable.

It does more than this. It makes the use of them in larger quantities practicable and profitable.

It is very doubtful whether it is advisable to use fertilizers on poorly prepared land and poorly worked crops.

On land plowed twelve inches deep, from one thousand pounds up, per acre, have yielded very large profits. But on land scratched an inch or two, even 125 pounds per acre is sometimes used without a satisfactory result.

The more manure we save at home, the better we can do without commercial fertilizers. The deeper and oftener we plow, the better crops we can grow without them. But it is also true that the more homemade manure we use, and the deeper and better we plow, the larger the profits we get from the use of commercial fertilizers. Therefore, whether we shall use commercial fertilizers, depends very much upon how we are going to farm.

### Cotton and Corn.

Some time ago our countyman H. M. Burt addressed some inquiries to Hon. H. D. Lane, Commissioner of Agriculture, concerning cotton seed as a fertilizer for corn and cotton, to which the following is a reply from Mr. B. B. Ross, State Chemist, Agricultural and Mechanical College, Auburn, to whom the inquiries were referred by Mr. Lane. The information given is valuable to all farmers, and the Home gladly avails itself of Mr. Burt's permission to publish it.

Auburn, Ala., Dec. 6, 1893. Mr. H. M. Burt, Talladega, Ala.: Dear Sir—Your card of recent date addressed to Gen. Lane has been referred by him to me, and in answer to your inquiries I would say that both cotton seed and cotton seed meal, mixed with acid phosphate, should give good results with corn and cotton.

Where cotton seed itself is employed it is in most cases best to compost it in the winter with stable manure and acid phosphate, in order to render its constituents more available for plant food when applied to the soil.

With the price of seed as it was some weeks since, it would be cheaper for farmers living near the oil mills to buy meal and sell their seed than to employ the latter as a fertilizer.

Cotton-seed meal and acid phosphate mixed will make a first class fertilizer for either cotton or corn, but on some of our soils an addition of a small amount of kainit (to supply potash) will be advisable.

A ton of good cotton fertilizer can be obtained by mixing together 1,100 pounds of acid phosphate, 700 pounds of cotton-seed meal and 200 pounds of kainit; while for corn it would be advisable to use 1,000 pounds of cotton-seed meal and 800 pounds of acid phosphate, with 200 pounds of kainit.

We can on many of our soils, however, dispense with the kainit entirely without very great detriment to the crops.

If cotton seed is used instead of meal, larger proportions will be required for corn than for cotton, and a relatively smaller amount of acid phosphate will be required.

Experiments with natural phosphates from Florida, which were made here last year, showed results nearly equal to those secured with the use of acid phosphates, but as these are the results of one season only, the conclusions therefrom cannot be drawn with absolute certainty. The value of the crude phosphates is influenced largely by their mechanical condition, and even the manufacturers of the pulverized phosphates do not claim that the phosphoric acid is rapidly available.

The phosphoric acid in an acid phosphate, however, should be chiefly in a soluble condition, and in this state is undoubtedly more rapidly available for the use of the plant.

In general, I should consider the acid phosphate preferable to the crude acid phosphate. B. B. Ross, Talladega Mountain Home.

Domestic Fertilizers Best.

One of our exchanges, under this head, makes an earnest plea for the old fashioned way of making and saving manure on the farm. Since commercial fertilizers have come into such general use, the custom of hauling leaves and straw and litter into the lots and stables has been almost entirely abandoned. Every ounce of manure about the place ought to be gathered and mixed with a good grade of phosphate. If the commercial fertilizers are used at all, let it be after all the domestic manure is fertilized, or on fields too remote from the lot to haul the heavy manure. In all this we say not a word against the use of commercial fertilizers. We believe in it; but we are condemning the folly of letting those for which we must pay money take the place of the better manure which can be made at so little cost.

Kerosene liberally applied will soften boots and shoes that have been hardened by water.

Use a wire frame for boiling potatoes, and see how much vexation it saves, and how satisfactory the result.

To keep a closet or pantry dry and sweet, place a box of lime upon one of the shelves. It will absorb all dampness.

One of the most useful articles to have in the house is an india-rubber hot-water bottle. This can be applied to any part of the body, and will often afford relief from pain more quickly than any other application.

Funny and Sober.

Laundry Motto—"Let us soap for the best."

New York city paid \$60,000,000 for drink last year.

Think right and you will be more likely to act well.—Ex.

One pound of gold may be drawn into a wire that would extend around the globe.—Sel.

It is our best work that he wants, not the dregs of our exhaustion.—George Macdonald.

"Tommy, who was Joan of Arc?" asked the teacher. "Noah's wife," said Tommy.—Exchange.

"Though I speak but one language, I am familiar with many tongues," said a physician.—Buffalo Inquirer.

"Here's der laundry, and fader vants to know of you can't vash just derbosom of der shirts for half price?"—Life.

"These are times that try men's soles," remarked the tramp as he started out for a thirty-mile walk.—Logan Nation.

A learned physician recently advised a patient to take a walk every morning before breakfast, but the patient couldn't comply with the doctor's request, because he never gets up until "after breakfast."

**BROKEN DOWN**

—by disease is the natural result if you allow your liver to become inactive, your blood impure, and your system run down.

The germs of Consumption, Grip, or Malaria, wait for this time of weakness—this is their opportunity.

If you rouse the liver to activity, so it will throw off these germs, purify the blood so there will be no weak spots; build up healthy weight where there is a falling off, you will rest secure from disease, for you'll be