

SEED FAIR!

The Annual Seed Fair for the sale and exchange of seeds, will be held in the Market Building, in Charlotte, on TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, Feb. 14 and 15.

Table listing various seed types and their prices, including items like Blue Wheat, White Pile, Red Pile, etc.

LOSS OF APPETITE.

Are You Troubled in This Way?

Why can't you eat as you used to? Simply because your liver doesn't do its work properly. It is business as usual, but your liver is sluggish and the bile accumulates too fast, and you feel worn out, tired and listless, and each succeeding day brings no relief.

SMITH'S BUCHU LITHIA PILLS. A POSITIVE CURE FOR RHEUMATISM AND ALL FORMS OF KIDNEY AND BLADDER ILLS.

Do You Wish to Be Entertained?

Then Get a Talking Machine. The Berliner Gramophone and Columbia Graphophone are hand-some instruments, substantially made, and so simply constructed that a child can operate them.

Ask Your Physician!

Don't take our word for it, ask your doctor if we are not all we claim—reliable, skilful, careful.

ELLIS

The Druggist and Optician.

Don't Insult Your Stomach

with bad bread. It's just as easy to make good bread as bad if you have the right kind of flour.

HERCULES DELIGHT WHITE COAT

You'll have no trouble. Try a barrel and be convinced. Our quick delivery makes it possible for us to send all orders on time. Call to-day.

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Queen Street Offers Building. 10 lbs & wt

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Catch the fleeting fascination of the human face is no mean art. Of all the methods of doing it nothing excels photography.

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THE GUARDIAN SHORT STORY

LADY BOUNTIFUL, by Martha McCulloch-Williams.

Copyright, 1903, by Mrs. M. McCulloch-Williams. Clouds are never so black and threatening as they look to be when rising to shut away sunshine. Lettice knew that very well, being that she was country bred and spiritually as well as actual-

ly a daughter of the open. But in this pinch the knowledge did not help her—that is to say, she did not think of the parallel between clouds actual and metaphorical. The sun had shone for her so blithely, with such strength and power, the shutting away left her in a manner numb.

They had never quarrelled—Lettice was too thoroughbred for such a thing and the Farnham girl too politic—but from the beginning they had been intuitively antagonistic, although environment enforced a certain surface cordiality, even friendliness, between them.

That was hard with her in face of the fact that she had an oriental delight in luxury and elegance, spoken in her excuse she pleaded "conspicuousness," whatever that may be. Without these keen appetites, susceptible senses, she said, or with them starved and thwarted, she would never be able truly to express the genius burning and writhing within.

"I fear I shall have to go away; it hurts me so to have anybody jealous of me," she soothed to Philip Arran as Lettice flashed in and out of the parlor, with the brief greeting to the two. "Ever since the Century asked me to let it share my work with Scribner's Lettice—I ought really to say Miss Lane—has been as you see her, of course I make allowances. It must hurt dreadfully when one is ambitious, and she is frightfully so, to find you can do only low and common things. I should starve if I tried newspaper work, and I feel that I would rather starve than try it. Yet I am so glad Lettice is wiser. She really does very well at it. But only fancy, she has the least bit satisfied. Mrs. Quigley says Sundays—she writes things—stories actually—and sends them to the magazines!"

Arran smiled at her behind his hand. Nature made him a critic. Fate gave him money; some ill fairy thrust upon him aspirations for playwriting—ambitions that had flowered into superfluous success. Lettice had written a Sunday special about him and in writing it had so managed to strike the middle line between ridicule and panegyric as to come warmly into the kingdom of his regard. They had been cheery comrades until Faith Farnham had somehow managed to turn the duel into a trio. After that everything went wrong. Slight, sinuous, ethereal, in delicately colored, high waisted, trailing robes, with always a knot of violets at her breast, she easily put Lettice, with her rosy cheeks, and hearty laugh, her walking suit and

Medicines Laced With Alcohol

Think of it! The Danger You Run—Drink Habit is Easily Acquired, but Hard to Cure.

Careful analysis shows that many so-called tonics contain little else but whiskey—the rankest, poorest kind of whiskey. You may unconsciously be using an alcoholic liquid remedy. Some members of your family may be doing so. Your duty is plain; stop it at once.

The test of a tonic is the permanency of its cure. To become strong, you must build up the blood—alcohol weakens it. You must increase your nerve force—alcohol steadily devours it.

Give up the liquid tonic before you become its slave. The true medicine for the run-down, depressed and nervous is Ferruzone. It is nothing but concentrated iron in tablet form. It stimulates the appetite, aids digestion, fills the blood with iron, builds up in nature's way. Never known to fail.

Whether weak from worry, overwork, or loss of sleep, or ill from the effects of alcohol will quickly make you well. It is safe and harmless, undoubtedly the best, most and rebuilding medicine made. We recommend you to use Ferruzone if you are in poor health. Ferruzone known as the great food tonic. Sold in 50c. per box, or six for \$2.50 at all druggists, or by mail from N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont., and Hartford, Conn. U. S. A.

fat bag of sweets. What she said to the volunteer who had brought the gifts is not necessary to be written down. He listened intently and afterwards went with happy shining eyes straight up to Lettice, who started violently at sight of him.

"You've gotbooked one case of destination," he said, plucking her sleeve. "I hope you will do something about it, Lady Bountiful."

"If only I can. But we have only gawgaws left—nothing the least useful," Lettice began anxiously. Arran drew closer and said, with his lips almost on her ear: "It's my mother, sweetheart. She's fearfully in need of a daughter—just such as you. Will you come?"

Lettice vows to this day there was a conspiracy. Certainly Mrs. Vanston Quigley must have been in the secret. However else should both her lodgers have been properly dressed at the Arran Christmas dinner, where the lady of the manor announced her son's engagement to Miss Lettice Lane?

Cure For Love. "Why, how could you break your engagement with Jack?" "We were seasick together."—Life.

LETTER TO PHILIPPIANS.

Pastor White will give a course of sermons on the letter to the Philippians, on Sunday mornings, as outlined below. The first sermon will be on Sunday next, Feb. 12th.

- 1 Remembrance. 2 Paul's Prayer for the Philippians. 3 The Prophecy of Faith. 4 A Word of Cheer. 5 Ready for Either. 6 Christian Growth. 7 The Consolations of Religion. 8 The Christ Mind. 9 The Divine Ideal. 10 Christians as Lights. 11 The Things that are Jesus Christ's. 12 Christian Joy. 13 True Worship. 14 Union with Christ. 15 Christian Citizenship. 16 The Sin of Worry. 17 Food for Meditation. 18 The Weak Made Strong. 19 The Divine Supply. 20 The Salt in Caesar's House.

COMING EVENTS.

City Council meets on the second Monday in each month. Dr. F. F. Kelly, Mayor. W. W. Clarke, City Clerk.

WOMEN FIND RELIEF.

In Dodd's Kidney Pills—How Mrs. Hughes Suffered for Four Years. Monday, Feb. 13th—(Special). Mrs. James Hughes, of this place, feels it her duty to let her suffering sisters all over Canada know that they can find relief in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"I was a great sufferer for four years," says Mrs. Hughes. "I was treated by four doctors and tried nearly every medicine I could hear of, but nothing seemed to do me any good. I was in bed for nearly three years suffering from pains up my spinal column, in my head, over my eyes, across my back and through my left side. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me and now I am strong and able to do a good day's work."

Park's Perfect Emulsion by any other name would be just as good; but the name at once classifies it as different from the ordinary, because it is, as the name signifies, PERFECT.

There are a few things to observe about it

- (1) It has the well-known properties of Cod Liver Oil. (2) It performs the functions of Cod Liver Oil more easily than the plain oil, just as all emulsions do. (3) But it is better than the ordinary emulsion because it contains Guaiacol, the consumption germ killer, giving it a value that no other Cod Liver Oil preparation in the world can possess. (4) It combines with all this excellence, the tissue-repairing and system building properties of Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda. (5) All the elements of Park's Perfect Emulsion are just what a consumptive needs. It is, without question, the very best medicine the sickest consumptive can use. There's hope in every dose.

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30 PER CENT DISCOUNT -OFF ALL- WINTER CAPS AND FUR COLLARS. While this ad. appears we will give a discount of 30 per cent off the price on all Fur and heavy Cloth Caps and Fur Collars. Our Caps are stylish, none more so. Sizes from 6 1/2 to 7 3/4. D. A. BRUCE, Merchant Tailor and Men's Furnisher.

DUNLOP COMFORT RUBBER HEELS. Give a Spring to the step down to the last point of wear—and wear longer than the most solid of leather heels. THIS MARK ON EVERY PAIR.