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THAN STRICTLY CARR IN ADVANCE at the Pr G. at Downers Grove, Ill.

TREEPHONE DOWNERS GROVE 221. THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 1902.

The service one renders another in mmending to him a good book, which a Good Book to a he comes to value, is like that he per-Good Pricad. forms in introducing him to a person who subsequently becomes a close friend. For, as the Boston Watchman has observed, it is in the power of books to enter into the very substance of our lives and to become fountains of strength and joy. Nothing, of course, can ever take the place of the force that radiates to one in association with a noble and strong personality; but next to that probably stands the power of books. In them we also come into relation with the personal forces transmitted through the medium of the printed page. And some writers have the faculty of transmitting themselves through that medium with singularly little diminution of power. It is not within the resources of many of us to have large circles of acquaintance with the choicat people. But for a dollar or two and the price of a light one may have spread before him the thoughts, the fancies, the discoveries and the speculations of the wisest and brightest human souls. For one who has tasted of the pleasure of communing with a congenial author there are few human satisfactions comparable with that of reading a book that appeals to you with a message for which you are

The Baltimore school board, having decided to establish a cooking school, advertised for a teacher, offering salary of \$540, No cooking school graduates responded, the only applicanta being cooks, one of them a colored woman, and the superintendent would not employ any of them. Then it was discovered that the law required a competitive examination, and not a teacher in the schools was competent to hold the examination. When one of the teachers was asked what she would do if she married, she replied "Why, hire some one, of course." Those who were previously opposed to the teaching of cooking in the schools before these facts were discovered are reconsidering the matter.

STATE OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN 2 IS NOT THE OWNER.

Postmanter General Payne is opposed to female rural mail carriers, and to likely to dismiss some that have been appointed. He is of the opinion that women carriers cannot endure the hardships necessary in such work durng the winter months; but before he makes any changes he should certainly give the ladies a fair chance to demonstrate how efficient they are. In many lines of work women have proved themselves as capable as men, and when it comes to braving the storms of winor in the face of duty they have not been found wanting.

Two "leper missionaries," as they are called, were recently received by President Boosevelt in the white house Of sourse these two missionaries are not lepers, but they help to make life better worth living in the leper colony In Surinam, South America. This misstonery work is of special importance to the United States on account of our growing trade with Surinam, where 2,000 lepers have their home. Rev. and Mrs. Henry T. Weiss were much gratified at the interest the president showed in their work.

The Chinese of New York are planaing to erect a hospital in the Chinatown of that city, where their sick may be treated by physicians of their wen race. This hospital, if it is established, is to be conducted on the iental plan, and will be a distinct ddity in this country.

A Detroit woman grabbed the hat a thief who snatched her purse the her day. That's just like a woman. The robber got the money and can buy w hat, but the victim can't do anywith the plunder she captured. would have made a grab for the s watch, at least

fornia ranks sixth as an onionne state, according to the cenports, having 2,207 seres that \$14,859 bushels, worth \$296,67 Fork takes first place, with an of 8,033, producing 2,177,271

When the question of the increa of comfort and happiness is p equarely it affords An the Optimist a poor opportunity Sees It. for the pessimist.

John Bach McMaster, the historian, supports his optimism with facts drawn from a contrast between the conditions of the present day and those prevailing a century ago. At that time labor was performed in the south almost exclusively by slaves, and in the north largely by "redemptioners," who were in effect temporary slaves. When the redemptioner finally got his freedom he had to work for wages that would barely sustain life; or he had the alternative of pressing on into the forests and battling with stern nature and bloodthirsty savages for the right to live. And woe be to the poor wretch who fell sick and got into debt. In New York as late as 1816 there were 1,984 persons jailed for debt, and 729 of these owed less than \$25 each and had been imprisoned "for spite." Today the workingman no longer tolls from sunrise to sunset, as he did then. He is no longer subject to imprisonment for honest debt. Wages century ago were paid when the employer pleased. Now they are paid daily or weekly, and the laborer is protected by lien laws. Railroads and machinery have enabled him to eat better food and wear better clothes than ever before. Increased blessings of the same kind are enjoyed by women. Nor is the increase of happiness confined to any class. The steady march of civilization has made everybody broader minded and more humane. Diseases once the scourge of the world are feared no more. A face pitted with smallpox is as rare now as it was common a century ago. Yellow fever and cholera have lost their terrors with the increase of cleanliness. Anesthetics have almost annihilated pain. Cheap books, magazines and newspapers have made ignorance and narrowmindedness the badges of disgrace Cruel punishments are abandoned and a spirit of humanity and charity pervades the thought and the activities of the civilized world.

When cherries are ripe so are 24,000,-000 bacteria to the pound, if we may believe science. Cherries and This entertaining Microbes. fact reaches an attentive American world from a German laboratory by way of a consular report from Frankfort. The bacteria attach themselves to the skin of the cherries. Up to date nothing but an indeterminate potentiality for appendicitis has been revealed as working its invisible way to the pit. The savant in the German laboratory further remarks that 11,000,000 bacteria sbide on the surfaces of a half pound of currants, while \$,000,000 thrive on a like to peel his fruit and wash his grapes and his berries. Probably this advice is good, but it cannot, as the New York World suggests, be retroactive in its results. Are the unthinking many who have taken their bacteria by the hillions before the news came from Frankfort to be subjected to cumulative consequences? Or must they hold special thanksgiving for deliverance from a multitude of enemies? Or is it demonstrated that where ignorance is bliss it is folly to count or to think about bacteria on our seasonable

Recent tests of a bullet-proof cloth, made at Providence, Rhode Island, were 1088. apparently successful. The police and army officers were greatly interested. The revolvers used were a Colt's 41, the regulation police weapon, and a 22-caliber Smith and Wesson. At distances varying from five to twenty feet, the bullets merely made indentations in the cloth.

Passion warps and interrupts the judgment. He that can reply calmly to an angry man is too hard for him. Plato, speaking of passionate persons, says they are like men who stand on their heads—they see all things the

Allen Farm, once the home of Ethan Allen, the here of Ticonderoga, ent owner, W. J. Van Patton, into a public park and presented to the city of Burlington, Vt.

Some one has figured out that more steel is used in making pens than in all the gun and sword factories in the world; and this in spite of the novels that are written on typewriters.

Newport, R. I., has established an anylum for dogs and eats, and it is now in order for the dogs and cats ot by pulling others down, but to establish an asylum for some of children.

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NOTICE OF FILING FINAL SETTLEMENT.

State of Illinois! County of DuPage | an. of DnPage County. In the matter of the Estate of Elizabeth O.

Giddings, deceased. To Edward R Giddings and Holeta E. Giddings, heirs at law of said estate; to Charles W. Leffler and Jesuie C. Lyman as trustees of the estate of said deceased; to Edward R. Giddings and Holeta E. Giddings as vested bene-ficiaries of the estate of said deceased; and to The Lyman Library at Downers Grove, Du-Page County, Illinois, The Newsboys' Home of Chicago, and the Humane Society of Chicago as contingent beneficiaries of the estate of said

Take notice that on the 20th day of December, 902, at ten o'clock a. m. or an soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, the undersigned will present to the county court at the court house in Wheaton, in said county, their final portion of grapes. In general the con-sumer is advised for discretion's sake that the same be approved; that the said estate be declared settled and the undersigned descharged from their said office; at which time and place you are notified to be present if you

Dated, Downers Grove, Illinois, November 10, D. 1902 CHARLES W. LEFFLER, IRRNIE C. LYMAN. Executors of the last Will and Testament of Elizabeth O. Giddings, Deceased.

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