

MISCELLANEOUS.

OKVILLE FRUIT LANDS—10 ACRES... WANTED, IMMEDIATELY, TWO GIRLS...

Souvenir Post Cards... Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup should always be used for children teething.

DR. LEROY'S FEMALE PILLS... A safe, sure and reliable monthly regulator.

New Creations for Men... The terrifying rumor comes from London that there is to be a radical change.

THE PALL OF RHEUMATIC PAINS... When a sufferer finds permanent relief in such a meritorious medicine as South American Rheumatic Cure...

Concerted Music in Talking Machines... Manufacturers of the talking machines are elaborating their enterprises to an extent never dreamed of before.

A BROAD STATEMENT... Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid will cure any case of Piles.

"BOUGHT MY LIFE FOR 35 CENTS."—This was one man's way of putting when he had been pronounced incurable from chronic dyspepsia.

Losing Some of Her Charm... "I guess I must be getting old and ugly," sighed the pretty girl at the flower stand.

Orange Blossoms... This precious remedy is a positive cure for all female diseases.

Farmers and Dairymen... When you require a Tub, Pail, Wash Basin or Milk Pan.

E. B. EDDY'S FIBRE WARE ARTICLES... You will find they give you satisfaction every time.

THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE... Insist on being supplied with EDDY'S every time.

DOUGHTY'S CEMENT BUILDING BLOCK MACHINE... Makes all kinds of Blocks, either solid or hollow.



SUNLIGHT SOAP... is equally good with hard or soft water. If you use Sunlight Soap in the Sunlight way (follow directions) you need not boil nor rub your clothes, and yet you will get better results than with boiling and hard rubbing in the old-fashioned way.

Your money refunded... by the dealer from whom you buy Sunlight Soap if you find any cause for complaint.

Wu Ting-Fang's Sober Thought... When the eminent Wu Ting-fang was Chinese Minister at Washington he was the guest of honor at one of the leading clubs.

HOT TAR TO SAVE ROADS... Process Adopted in France to Neutralize Effect of Automobiles.

Had Heard It Before... "No, Mr. Pennington," said the fair girl to the literary youth and proposer of the article.

FACTS AGAINST THE PESSIMIST... Statistics show that the expectation of human life has been raised considerably in the last fifty years.

ENGLISH SPAVIN LINIMENT... Removes all hard, soft or calloused lumps and blemishes from horses, blood spavin, curbs, splints, ringbones, swellings, etc.

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MISSOURI SHARKS.

Fisherman's Luck in Waters Off Missouri.

"Johnson, what is that dark object between you and the light-house?" I asked as we approached the shore.

"Sure enough, scarcely were the words out of my skipper's mouth, writes William B. Mendenhall in Forest and Stream, before I saw a black fin slowly glide around the floating carcass, then a flap of a great tail out of water, and I could see the man eater at his breakfast."

"Quick, Johnson, steer for it." Steerer we came, and standing on the boat's thames I counted seven sharks, some feeding, some circling about and other lighting—almost they seemed to be quarreling over the brown morsel that had fallen into their jaws.

Oh, for a gun, a revolver, or even a large hook of some kind, I should have had a chance to gratify a long cherished wish. How many times the judge had said: "I don't take any more of this fish, but I would like to catch a shark."

At first we were rather afraid of the great beast, but as the old saying, "Familiarity breeds contempt," was again illustrated, I picked up a small sponge hook such as the sportsmen use in these islands.

I had spent a winter on a cattle ranch in Texas some years before and there learned to throw the rope, and I thought I would try to catch a shark. They had no horns certainly to throw the rope over, but I once could pick up a rope and throw it over a horse's head.

On the same, with no bashfulness or diffidence noticeable, and dropped his jaw or else raised his head and the lower jaw where it was. I cannot say which as I was becoming a trifle excited.

Just imagine you were there. I yelled as the rope floated up with a savage yank that seemed about to take the mast out of the craft, but it did the business, as I thought it so that Mr. Shark had no other wind than that tied into the boat.

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