

VICTIMS OF A SWINDLE.

How the Patrons of Some Drug Stores Are Humbled.

The fact that the American public delights in being humbugged has passed into an international proverb. The latest addition to the rank and file of petty swindlers is the druggist who practices the "substitution scheme."

The swindle is a growing evil of recent date. Some firm or individual by long and patient research, and often by the expenditure of enormous sums of money, discovers and perfects a proprietary article.

To such an extent has this imposition grown that general attention was called to it in an address before the National Editorial Association at St. Paul by A. Frank Richardson, of New York.

Mr. Richardson has given this abuse of "substituting" his attention for some time and there is probably no man in this country better qualified to speak about its extent and injustice.

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"In other parts of the valley are wastes of hot sand drawn in some places into high mounds by the whirling blasts that sweep down the canyon. There, too, is the most curious earth I have seen—self-rising earth it has been called.

"Our party, the biological survey of the United States government, has been in the valley for months. It left there after having finished its investigation. The general purpose of the department of agriculture, under which we work, is to collect facts relating to the distribution of species with variations of temperature and humidity throughout the United States, and particularly in the western part.

"We have found that in certain zones certain flora and fauna flourish. Each zone has its peculiar species which do not flourish in others. These zones are both horizontal and vertical.

"The party chose the desolate region of Death valley for its labors, for from it, and not far distant, can be traced the seven zones we have established. The valley, notwithstanding its barren elements, has many phases of life.

"It has thirty or forty species of animals and fully as many of vegetable growth. Nothing, of course, will live on the salt or borax bottoms, but on the edges of these districts various hardy plants thrive.

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a dizzy black precipice twelve thousand feet to the level of the valley as dazzling white as snow. Stretching from the mountain's foot are the glistening fields of salt. Here and there are running streams of salt and mineral waters.

"The valley is the most barren and the lowest of a series in eastern California and southwestern Nevada. At a rough estimate it is about one hundred and fifty feet below the level of the sea.

"On either side of the valley, stretching almost its entire length, is a range of mountains, absolutely barren of animal and vegetable life. The western range is the Panamint, averaging in height nine thousand feet.

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PRESTON'S CURES ANY HEADACHE "While You Wait," BUT CURES NOTHING ELSE.

NEW FIRM? NEW GOODS? Having purchased the stock of goods known as the Grange store consisting of GROCERIES & DRY GOODS, I desire to say to my many friends that I have replenished the stock and fitted up the store room in shape and I would be glad to have all my old friends call and see me.

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DR. J. W. LOWRY'S. Order of Publication. STATE OF MISSOURI, County of Bates. In the Circuit Court of Bates County, Missouri, in vacation, August 19th, 1901.

Impr. ved Passenger Equipments. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Ry. is now running free reclining chair cars on all through trains between Hannibal, Mo., and Taylor, Texas.

Th St. Louis Republic Now Issued Twice-a-Week, Tuesday and Friday, 12 to 14 Pages a Week For \$1.00 a Year Sample Copies Free.

Trustee's Sale. Whereas John G. Smeed and Samuel N. Smeed, by their deed of trust dated November 25th, 1899 and recorded in the recorder's office within and for Bates County, Missouri, in book No. 92, page 243, conveyed to the undersigned trustee the following described real estate lying and being situated in the county of Bates and state of Missouri, to-wit:

Missouri Pacific R'y. 2 Daily Trains 2 TO KANSAS CITY and OMAHA COLORADO SHORT LINE TO PUEBLO AND DENVER. PULLMAN BUFFETT SLEEPING CARS Kansas City to Denver without change H. C. TOWNSEND. General Passenger and Ticket Agent ST. LOUIS, MO.

Trustee's Sale. Whereas Daniel H. Noel and Mary Noel his wife by their deed of trust dated June 19th, 1899, and recorded in the recorder's office within and for Bates County, Missouri, in book No. 92, page 405, conveyed to the undersigned trustee the following described real estate lying and being situated in the county of Bates and state of Missouri, to-wit:

Public Notice. STATE OF MISSOURI, County of Bates. In the Circuit Court of Bates County aforesaid clerk aforesaid that a copy hereof be published in the Butler Weekly Times, a weekly newspaper printed and published in Butler, Bates County, Missouri, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the first day of said court, August, 1901.

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FOR GENTLEMEN FOR LADIES WHY IS THE W. L. DOUGLAS \$3 SHOE THE BEST SHOE IN THE WORLD FOR THE MONEY? It is a seamless shoe, with no cracks or wax thread to hurt the feet, made of the best fine grain leather, and easy, and because we make more shoes of this grade than any other manufacturer, it equals hand-made shoes costing from \$5.00 to \$10.00.

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IN DEATH VALLEY.

Weird Scenes in the Baked and Blistered Chasm.

Dr. C. Hart Merriam, scientist and chief of a government biological survey which has been working for months in Death valley, is in the city, told the story of his adventures to a Chronicle reporter recently.

THE LEWISTON (ME.) JOURNAL SAYS

that an Auburn business man, one who is seen upon the streets of that city every day in the week, cuts and makes his own clothes. And they are well made and they fit like a good fitting glove. The man isn't a tailor, either. He has cut and made his own clothes for years, and no one can suit him as well as he can suit himself. He does his cutting and sewing after business hours.