

Smoking cigars.

To be a successful salesman in a large retail cigar store a man must be an excellent actor; he must possess a powerful memory, and above all he must always keep his temper.

Gamblers are as a rule smokers of the finest goods, but they are as customers very erratic, owing to the different chances of fortune which they experience.

There is one class of customers who are separate and distinct from the general line of smokers; they are the youngsters who smoke cigarettes.

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A House With a History.

In a very short time the building on New York avenue, near Fourteenth street, Washington, long known as Chamberlain's Club House, will be owned by the Young Men's Christian Association.

As the property was originally owned by the McCleary estate and with the building was valued at about \$25,000. It passed out of the hands of the McClearys and was purchased for the above sum by the famous Washington Club, Governor A. R. Shepherd, president, and its members, including H. K. Kilbourn, General Grant and many others who figured in the celebrated real estate pool and other great deals.

The Washington Club, being in a much demoralized state financially, concluded to sell the property and its purchasers in the Young Men's Christian Association.

Nice Napkins.

The napkins at hotels are now folded, in a half wet condition, into all sorts of shapes—a goose, a swan, a ship, a high boot are all favorite and fanciful designs.

The mistress of the house should have a large chest of reserved napery which is not used every day, but which must all be washed and aired once a year at least, to keep it from moulding and getting yellow.

Too much starch should never be used in napkins. No one wishes to wipe a delicate lip on a board, and a stiff napkin comes very near being a board.

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DOMESTIC.

WEDDING CAKE.—Prepare your ingredients the day before making your cake. Pick and stone four pounds of the best raisins; do not use the seedless raisins for the cake; wash and pick over four pounds of currants; drain them in a colander and spread them on dishes to dry, or you may sprinkle them with Indian meal, rubbing the meal well through the currants, and sifting them in a sieve of clean them from it; cut up two pounds of citron in thin pieces, and when just ready to use the fruit strew it thickly with flour; grate four nutmegs and mix them with a tablespoonful of ground mace, two tablespoonfuls of ground cinnamon, and a small half teaspoonful of ground cloves; sift these spices and mix well together in a cup; mix together two large wine glasses of wine, one of brandy and one of rose water; cream together one pound of powdered sugar and fifteen ounces of best butter; beat twelve eggs until perfectly smooth and thick, and stir them gradually into the creamed butter and sugar, together with a pound of flour which you have sifted in a basin; then add by degrees the fruit, spice and liquor, and stir the whole very hard at the last; line your pans with well-grassed paper, and bake in a moderate oven for six hours at least; ice the next morning, first dredging flour over the outside, and then wiping with a towel; almond icing is very nice for this cake.

FRIED CHICKEN.—First, be sure and get a young chicken; clean nicely inside and out; instead of cutting it into small pieces, cut it in only two, down the center of the back; flatten it out, break the breast bone with a rolling pin, wash it off quickly with cold water and wipe dry with a clean towel; do not let it remain in the water. Have ready a pan with about two ounces of butter which has been browned; put in the chicken and dip the butter over it; turn it every five minutes and baste with the brown butter between the turning; when half done salt and pepper to taste; make a gravy of milk or cream; take a tablespoonful of flour stirred smooth for thickening the gravy.

SALT pork for boiling should have lean streaks running through it. From such a piece cut two pounds or more, according to size of family, scrape the rind well, wash clean, then put it to boil in cold soft water; boil one hour, then change the water, filling up with boiling water from tea kettle; boil another hour, then take it from the water, lay it on a tin and set in a well-beated oven to bake half an hour. Incline the tin, letting the pork rest in the upper part, so that the grease, as it fries out, may drip away from the meat. Turn the pork from side to side that it may cook evenly. Turn the grease from the tin as it fills up, so the pork will not rest in it when baking. Serve hot and see if the men like it.

ROAST OF TURKEY.—Cut the cold turkey that is left over from a roast or boil into bits an inch long; put in a sauce pan the gravy left from the roast, adding a little water if the quantity be small; and a tablespoonful of butter, a teaspoonful of pungent sauce, half a teaspoonful of cloves, a little grated nutmeg, and a little salt; when it boils up put in the meat; stew very gently for ten minutes, and then stir in a tablespoonful of cranberry or currant jelly, a teaspoonful of browned flour, wet in a little cold water, and a wineglassful of sherry or Madeira; boil up once, and serve in a covered dish. A ragout without spice, jelly, or wine is generally preferred.

CREAM PUFFS.—One-half pound butter, three-quarters pound flour, eight eggs, one pint of water. Stir the butter with the water, which should be warm; place upon the stove and bring to a boil; add the flour and boil one minute, stirring constantly; take from the fire and let cool. Beat the eggs very light and add to the cooled paste, first the yolks and then the whites. Drop in large spoonfuls upon buttered paper, which are nice shaped baked in muffin-rings placed in a dripping-pan. They must be placed far enough apart so as not to run into each other. When cold, cut out the center with a sharp knife, and fill them with thin-boiled custard. Season with lemon or vanilla.

BAKED HAM.—Make a thick paste of flour and water (not boiled), and cover the entire ham with it, bone and all; put in a pan, on a spider or two muffin rings, or anything that will keep it an inch from the bottom, and bake in a hot oven; if a small ham, fifteen minutes for each pound; if large, twenty minutes; the oven should be hot when put in. The paste forms a hard crust around the ham, and the skin comes off with it. Try this, and you will never cook a ham in any other way.

CREAM RICE PUDDING.—Wash four ounces of rice, (cost 3 cents), through two waters, put it into a baking dish with three ounces of sugar, and a teaspoonful of flavoring (cost 3 cents), pour in one quart and a pint of milk, (cost 12 cents), and put it into a moderate oven to bake an hour and a half, or until it is of a creamy consistency. This pudding is very delicate and wholesome, and costs 15 cents.

TO RESTORE THE HAIR AFTER ILLNESS.—Equal parts of best brandy and strong black tea, shaken well together and rubbed well into the roots of the hair once daily, will usually restore the hair after long illness. Be careful not to scratch or irritate the scalp with rough combing and brushing. The mixture should be made at least once in three days, even in cool weather.

COAL TAR from gas works mixed to the consistency of mortar with finely sifted coal ashes or road dust, is recommended for leaks in gutters or valleys or around chimneys. It is also thought that it may be equally useful over an imperfect roof previously laid with felt or paper.

HUMOROUS.

HER favorite name: There is to be a wedding soon, the way to which was paved with so much delicate ingenuity by the lady in the case that it is worth recording. The gentleman had been an accepted suitor for months, but had never even remotely alluded to the wedding day, and the lady, tired with so much waiting, made up her mind to prompt him a little on the first favorable occasion. It happened in this way; They were sitting in the garden, and as was his custom he was making himself agreeable by gallant speeches, in one of which he alluded to her as "darling." He emphasized the name by a tender pressure of the hand, and remarked that "darling" was the sweetest word in the English language for him. "Do you think so?" she asked in a tremulous voice; "there is another name that to me is far sweeter." "What is it, darling?" asked the lover rapturously. "Just a little word of four letters—wife," she answered, with a gentle confusion, and there was nothing left for him but to ask her to decide the day when he might call her by her favorite name.

There is but a very small proportion of the women of this nation that do not suffer from some of the diseases for which Kidney-Wort is a specific. When the bowels become costive, headache torments, kidneys out of fit, or piles distress, take a package and its wonderful tonic and renovating power will cure you and give new life.—Watchman.

YOUNG America: "Guess I won't take in the school to-day," said a Carson urchin with an Appeal in his hand. "Why not?" "Concordia has fallen off ten cents and I don't dare to show up until it picks up again." "What have the fluctuations of Concordia got to do with your studies?" "A good deal," answered the boy. "My teacher has one hundred shares of the stock and when it falls off a few cents we all catch it heavy. I keep my eye on the list and when there's a break you bet I don't go to school. I play sick. Golly! How she basted me the time Mount Diablo busted down to two dollars. My mother's been patchin' my pants now ever since the big break in Sierra Nevada, and if the market don't take a turn yet, soon I'm goin' to quit the public school and go to work on a ranch."

ANSWER THIS.—Is there a person living who ever saw a case of ague, biliousness, nervousness, or neuritis, or any disease of the stomach, liver, or kidneys that Hop Bitters will not cure? The old woman kept a private bottle from which she refreshed herself from time to time, as she felt the need, though none of the family knew it. One evening her daughter, in rummaging through the pantry for doughnuts for her bear, spied the bottle, and had the curiosity to draw the cork and apply her nose to the aperture, at which moment the old lady hove in sight and angrily demanded: "Well, are you any wiser than you were? What do you suppose it is?" "I don't know, but it is, mamma," answered the shrinking maiden, "but it smells just like Charlie's moustache."

RESCUED FROM DEATH. WILLIAM J. COLLINS, of Somerville, Mass., says: "In the fall of 1874, I was taken with BLEEDING OF THE LUNGS, followed by a cough. I lost my appetite and flesh, and was confined to my bed. I was admitted to the Hospital. The doctors said I had a hole in my lung as big as a half dollar. On one time a report went around that I was dead. I was not, but a friend told me of Dr. WILLIAM HALL'S BALSA M FOR THE LUNGS. I got a bottle, when to my surprise, I commenced to feel better, and to-day I feel better than for three years past."

BAKER'S PAIN PANACEA cures pain in Man or Beast. For use externally or internally. It is related of a young American clergyman who was traveling this summer in England in company with an Englishman, that he kept his eyes on the landscape, and his companion said, "I suppose you are not accustomed to such rapid travelling, but I beg to assure you there is no danger." "Thank you," the American replied, "I have been accustomed all my life to going faster than this, but I am expecting this train to run off the little island."

Mother Shipton's prophecy is supposed to be about four hundred years old, and every prophecy has been fulfilled except the last—the end of the world in 1881. Buy your Carboline, a deodorized extract of petroleum, the great natural hair restorer, before the world comes to an end. "Now, my son," said a West Side cabinet maker to his little boy, "you must remember that sins are like nails driven into a post. Repentance is merely pulling the nails out, but the scars—the holes remain." "But, I say," interrupted the youth, "can't we kinder putty 'em up, as you do the worm holes in the rotten bass-wood that you use to make real English oak bedroom sets?"

CHURCHYARD luck: "How many children have you now?" a lady asked an old servant the other day. "Fourteen," he replied. "A large family, indeed." "Yes, ma'am," said the philosophic retainer; but you see I'm not like many of my neighbors; I've never had any churchyard luck with my children—they all lived."

Pimples and Humors on the Face.—In this condition of the skin, the "Vegetine" is the great remedy, as it acts directly upon the cause. It cleanses and purifies the blood, thereby causing humors of all kinds to disappear.

THE ONE GREAT MEDICINE.

Without doubt there are now, and have been for years past, several medicines of remarkable merit for the cure of all the diseases which have been cured, in very many cases, with excellent success. The names of these will readily recur to our readers, and they are named of parasites whose worth, for certain purposes, no one is supposed to deny. But we are fully justified, by undeniable and notorious facts, in saying that no unsubstantiated fact, that the one great medicine of the present day—the medicine, we mean, which now sells freely all over the world—is the famous VEGETINE of Mr. H. R. Stevens of Boston. Some of the undeniable facts respecting this famous medicine are these:

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There is, in short, and can be, no doubt or mistake whatever about the unprecedented and surprising efficacy, value and success of the Vegetine. As a purifier of the blood and a quick renovator and invigorator of the human system, physical and mental, no medicine, as is now generally conceded, has ever been devised and compounded at all equal to it; and, speedily and through cure for such complaints as catarrh, cough, stomach weakness and faintness, loss of appetite, dyspepsia, cancerous humors, scrofula, rheumatism, kidney and some other equally serious complaints, Vegetine altogether surpasses any and all other known medicinal preparations. The rapidly with which this great medicine has won its way into all parts of this country and various foreign lands, is itself a proof of its value. We ourselves, are something alike surprised and congratulatory of its intrinsic excellence.—Providence, (R. I.) Gazette.

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A STRONG husband: "Madam" is preparing about 10.30 p. m. to go out "for the evening," as she is accustomed to do rather too frequently to please "monsieur," who has made up his mind for the fifth time to assert himself. The following dialogue ensues: Monsieur—"Where are you going, my dear?" Madam—"Where I please." "But when will you be back?" "When I choose, sir." "Ah, yes! of course! But no later! I should not permit that."

A Smart Man is one who does his work quickly and well. This is what Dr. R. V. Pierce's "Golden Medical Discovery" does as a blood-purifier and strengthener. It cures the torpid liver, purifies the blood, and is the best remedy for consumption, which is scrofulous disease of the lungs.

OVER-SHOOTING: A grave and dignified D. D., after listening to the recitation of the catechism by a class of children, was asked to make a few remarks to them, whereupon he arose and said: "I desire, my young friends, to express an unqualified approbation of this exercise. I regard the catechism as the most admirable epitome of religious belief extant." The superintendent pulled his sleeve and asked him to explain the words epitome, which he elucidated as follows: "By epitome, children, I mean that this is—It is synonymous with synopsis!"

EXTRAVAGANCE and ladies can not afford to do without Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription," which by preserving and restoring health, preserves and restores that beauty which depends upon health. "I FEEL I am growing old," says the lady, merrily, to her guests; "for really I am beginning to lose my hair" (Of course she has bushels of it, and it is black as a raven's wing.) "Then, ma'am," exclaims her little child, with the innocent frankness of innocence, "why don't you look up the drawer when you put it away at night?"

Beautiful Women are made palid and unattractive by functional irregularities, which Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" will infallibly cure. Thousands of testimonials. By druggists.

ALL gone: A Sunday-school teacher asked a pupil how many sacraments there were. "There ain't any more," he replied. "Why, what do you mean?" "Well, I heard that our sick neighbor received the last sacrament yesterday, so there can't be any left over."

NEW BLOOMFIELD, Miss., Jan 2, 1890. I wish to say to you that I have been suffering for the last five years with a severe itching all over. I have heard of Hop Bitters and have tried it. I have used up four bottles, and it has done me more good than all the doctors and medicines that they could use on or with me. I am old and poor but feel to bless you for such a relief by your medicine and from torment of the doctors. I have had fifteen doctors at me. One gave me seven ounces of solution of arsenic; another took four quarts of blood from me. All they could tell was that it was skin sickness. Now, after these four bottles of your medicine, my skin is well, clean and smooth as ever. HENRY KNOCH.

It was the fourth set of kittens which had been drowned, and the young woman of the house did not mean to stand it any longer, and she rushed in to her mother. "Now, mamma," she cried, "it is a shame to waste cats in this way, and you must be more saving!"

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