Is This Possible?

Report comes that General Grant's improved condition is due to the fact that he is using a "simple vegetable preparation" forwarded by one of our consuls from South America, and sent him by the Surgeon General! Is this possible! By an "unauthorized" remedy? Shocking!

And yet, if this "simple vegetable preparation" were owned and advertised by any one as a specific for this terrible disease, certainly the Surgeon General would not commend it, nor would bigoted physicians prescribe it!

Nevertheless, it is a fact that many of the best proprietary medicines of the day, as the late Dr. J. G. Holland stated in *Scribner's Monthly*, sicians, and most of them, it should be remembered, were at first discovered or used in actual medical practice. When, however, any shrewd persons knowing of their virtue and fore-seeing their popularity, secured and advertised them, then, in the opinion of the bigoted, all virtue went out of them!

Isn't that absurd!

We believe that a remedy, if properly made, is just as effective when put up, advertised and sold in bulk, as when doled out to patients as enormous expense by their physicians.

Why not?

If General Grant is getting better through a simple unauthorized vegetable preparation where is the vaunted exclusive skill of the medical profession!

Apropos of the suspension of some very prominent members by the Medical and Chirugical faculty of Maryland, for endorsing advertised remedies, the Baltimore *American* (April 25) says that "when a patent medicine goes on year after year widening its circle of believers, it is a pretty fair evidence that there is merit in it. The regular doctors may ignore it, and expel any of their members who use it, but when they do so their action looks more like envy against a successful remedy than a true desire to protect the public." The failure in the Garfield and Grant cases, the *American* thinks, and properly, has knocked professional professions higher than a kite.

But this is not a singular instance of unprofessional power over "incurable diseases." That "simple vegetable preparation" now everywhere known as Warner's safe cure, was once an authorized remedy; was pronounced a "god send" to the medical profession for the cure of kidney and liver disorders, malaria, general debility, spring feebleness, female irregularities, etc., by many leading physicians, but when the formula was fully perfected, and the medicine was put up in bulk and advertised so that every sufferer might know of it and treat himself, then the profession turned upon it and let their patients die rather than to use it?

This is certainly a strange proceeding, but it is on a level with all the rules and regulations of a code which has gone so far as to forbid a physician displaying beyond a certain size his name and profession upon his sign!

But the world moves, and merit wins the fight!

THE SAND-FLY OF BAGDAD.

It is commonly said that there are no bugs in Arabia, the dry heat killing them all off; and certainly all the names given for the creature in Arabic dictionaries are either taken from the Turkish or manufactured. Considering what a vast field for blood-suckers in Bagdad, and what myriads of this particular species are constantly coming into it, if only from Bombay, in the boxes of travellers and pilgrims, what becomes of them all is a problem in natural history, anything like extreme heat, even supposing that to have the effect alleged, occurring only between June and September. Anyhow, it was a comfort to feel safe on that score at least in turning in for the night in a billet which, if there had been a member of the family in all Bagdad, looked as if it would have been sure to hold him. But morning brought the discovery that if the bug was absent he was represented by a sand-fly with a body hardly bigger than a mite's, a pair of wings like tiny sails and a poison-injecting and blood-sucking apparatus of extraordinary calling. Like Dr. Syntax, when the boiling water from Dolly's kettle had decanted itself into his shoes: "The scalding torment in his feet" soon made the half dressed victim fain to pull off his socks and rub until the skin was raw, in hopes of getting out the venom.

Some even ascribe to this cause the singular ulceration of the skin to which natives of Bagdad, especially in childhood, are liable, and which seldom fails to attack European and other strangers during their first year of residence. Either from the season when these sores generally break out, being that when the date is nearly ripe, or from the scar left by them resembling that fruit in size and contour, they are quite commonly spoken of as "date sores."

The number of people in Bagdad whose faces are more or less disfigured in this way frightens most all newcomers. Hitherto the result of medical surgical practice has gone to show that on whatever constitutional, climatic or external cause or causes depending, the affection, like so many others, is best left alone. In the healthy it runs its course in about a year, sometimes only one sore appearing, but oftener a succession of them. They are not in the least painful or dangerous and, except when on very tender spots or parts which are essential to locomotion, the natives of Bagdad appear not to mind or be much annoyed by them—one instance more of the eel growing used to the skinning.

THE PARADISE OF SKATERS.

Holland is the paradise of skaters, its highways being canals which are covered with ice nearly half the year. The ladies there go shopping on skates, boys skate to and from school, older members of the family go to church on skates; the postman delivers his letters and the doctor visits his patients on them, and even the solemn pastor moves on skates when he visits his parishioners. Dairymaids skate to town with full pails of milk, of which not a drop is spilled, and farmers' daughters skate to villages with a full basket of eggs in each hand. During the Spanish invasion several victories were won by the native soldiers who, on skates, suddenly moved on the forces of Alva, and as quietly retired to their own camp. For a period of more than four hundred years the soldiers have been trained to perform evolutions on skates.

AN IRON CUSTOM.

The man who holds the most important government office in China is not only excused for its neglect if he can show that he was engaged in some ceremonial connected with his ancestral duties, but, should one of his parents die while he is in office, he is actually obliged to retire from public life for a period of many months, no matter how critical may be the public interests thus sacrificed to an iron custom.

BRIBERY.

In commerce bribery is called commission. Of course I do not refer to the openly charged commission of brokers, merchants, or others. It is the secret commissions that are bribes. When domestic servants take comission from tradesmen they merely follow a custom of commerce that prevails in the city of London and other commercial centres. A parcel of goods has to be worked off. It is a bargain, but still the buyer seems to hesitate about purchasing the lot for his firm. The seller in an abstracted manner counts 50 gold likenesses of the Queen into a bag and quite abstractedly drops the bag in the buyer's pocket. Then the buyer buys. Or the buyer knows an old soldier who has deserved well of his country and who is poor. The benevolent and patriotic seller begs the buyer to give the old soldier £20 or £30, and after that softening deed of charity the buyer buys. It is not worth while to notice the dinner bribing, except to observe that some men are wonderfully influenced by a free meal. A man who might resist the allurement of a ten-pound note is bribed by a one-pound dinner. I am acquainted with a successful promoter. He has retired from the profession with a fortune, and has become a very stern moralist. He has known of 20 commissions being paid or arranged before a property could be sold to a company, or rather a company got up to buy the property. How did he induce men of position to become directors of inferior companies, of enterprizes that were nearly sure to be wound up? Often through the wives. He was not a ladies' man, but he supposed that no one had bought and given away so many jewels. Get the wife to accept a diamond bracelet and the husband would be sure to accept a seat at any board. "Besides, the directors do not stand to lose; they may win and they have their fees, besides the douceurs and commissions." It appears that appointments are sold, and the money paid for an appointment is called a douceur. Commissions are secret gifts or allowances from those who sell to the company. The douceurs and the commissions are divided among the guinea pigs. I cannot vouch for the correctness of those statements, but certain it is that gentlemen of social position have been induced to act as limited bubble decoy ducks, and the directors of smashed limiteds seem to flourish.

HOW TO BE INITIATED A SIOUX.

The Indians were armed with sticks, moccasins, and everything that could be used to strike with of a nature that would inflict pain without doing great bodily injury, but chiefly with a kind of cat-o'-nine-tails used by the Indians in riding their ponies. This is a terrible weapon, having a large number of strings, on the end of each of which is a large chunk of lead. There were a large number of squaws in the lines in addition to the braves, who appeared to take as strong an interest in the matter as the latter.

We were stripped naked with the exception of breech-clouts, which were given us. I was placed first in the line of twenty-five, the run being made by all together in single file. This was a decided advantage to me, as I could go as fast as I liked, not having to depend on the speed of others. A friendly Indian signaled me, giving me to understand that I was to run as fast as I could. I did not need the advice after I got well started, but it served me until I got past the first dozen, as I started while they were chatting among themselves. But the rest of the way I got it, I tell you. I just ran for dear life, taking the blows as they came. I could not repress some exclamations of pain as the whips cut into my flesh, but I managed to keep from disgracing myself in the minds of the Indians. None missed after the first dozen that I know of. They laid on the blows just as hard as they could, but conformed strictly to their law, which is not to leave their place in the line to inflict further punishment.

When I reached the end of the line the first time I was covered with blood and completely winded, being scarcely able to stand. We managed to get through with our lives, not one of the twenty-five falling or giving up. We were then admitted to membership in the tribe.

DOYLE AND HIS DRAGONS.

No living naturalist knows so much about dragons as Doyle. Next to farries he has studied them more than any other province of animated nature. For the most part they have been hostile to man to the extent of habitually dining on human virgins, and many knights since St. George have sought to win fame and the favor of the rescued maidens by defying them to single combat. Our artist shows us not the combat itself, which has perhaps been so often treated by mediæval painters as to be incapable of fresh presentation, but the preface and the last scene. Thus the historic dragon of Wantley, roused by the loud challenge of the champion who defies him from the summit of the rock, is issuing from his craggy lair with an aspect suggestive of irritated feeling and bad language, which reminds us of the felonious inmate of a London slum once visited by Dickens, who looked out of window, angrily demanding: "What the adjective substantive do you want here?" The end of the combat, under the title of "The Return of the Dragon-slayer," is a favorite subject with Doyle, who evidently commemorates several distinct events of this kind—for whereas in one the dragon slain is dragged by the tail, in others he is led in captive by his conqueror (in one case with the knight's pocket handkerchief tied over the dragon's eye, injured in the conflict); and in a drawing which we remember as exhibited a few years ago, the reptile's longitude was such that, although he extended along an entire street, his tail was still round the corner. But in all cases the knight canonades proudly through the town, amid the applause of the populace and the greetings of civic functionary, dame, and demoiselle—everybody admiring and congratulating, except another knight, who preserves a lofty and disdainful aspect, to show how lightly a warrior of his powess esteems such feats.

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Items of Interest.

The richest man in Oregon began by buying a calfskin on credit, tanning it and selling it for $10.

In Virginia peanuts are now ground into what proves a very fair flour for making pie crust and other light pastries.

Chinese doctors induce faith in their prescriptions by making them of gigantic size. A writer in the *Fortschritt* describes one of them two feet long and calling for twenty different ingredients.

A man who had formerly been a drug clerk, accidentally broke a quinine pill he was about to take and found it to consist of two split peas. He said he was "not much surprised."

A fire engine company of Fairhaven, Mass., stopped to eject a foreman pro tem. in the street close to a burning building, before putting a stream upon the flames.

Washington is a remarkably religious city. Statistics show 180 churches, with 40,341 members. Of this total membership, however, about 21,000 are in the colored churches.

It is denied that "Oliver Wendall Holmes carries a large horse chestnut in his pocket as a preventive of rheumatic pains." On the contrary, "no man on top of the Boston soil is freer from superstitions and delusions than is the alert and active brained Autocrat."

A Syracuse woman boiled, scrubbed, and ironed, in the pocket of an apron, a $5 bill of the issue bearing the portrait of President Garfield, and discovered it, upon taking the apron from the drawer, in as clean and perfect condition as a new bill.

Recently in Germany a scientific journal made the statement that it would be beneficial to the eyesight to print books in dark blue ink on pale green paper. The first volume printed in this way, "The Natural History of Women of Berlin," has just made its appearance.

Young ladies in Vienna wear their initials worked in silk and gold on the front of their jackets. "Young ladies who are engaged," it is pointed out by the correspondent who sends this news, "may wear other initials than their own." Presumably it is meant that they may wear the initials of the favored suitor.

While demolishing an old chimney in Otsego county, New-York, recently, workmen found $87 in Continental money dated 1776 and 1777. The printing on the notes was perfectly legible, and in general they were in good condition. The package consisted of one $40 bill, two $20 bills, one $8, one $7, two 50c., one $¾, and one $¼.

A harvest was recently reaped by a peddler in Marietta, Ga., who painted the plumage of a number of birds and disposed of them like hot cakes and at very fancy prices to unsuspecting buyers. The fraud was finally discovered, however, by one of his purchasers, who dipped one of the bird's feathers in water, when its beautiful tint disappeared.

At Portland, Me., a clergyman who manages a Gospel temperance mission has organized a "Gideon's Band," which is said to introduce Wagnerian effects in the choruses sung during the services the idea on which the scheme is founded being taken from Judges, vi., 16: And he (Gideon) divided 300 men into three companies, and he put a trumpet into every man's hand, with empty pitchers and lamps within the pitchers.

The editor of a Buffalo newspaper recently asked the subscribers to name the ten most important inventions of all time. More than eight hundred answers were received, and the ten inventions receiving the most votes were: The telegraph, printing press, steam engine, cotton gin, telephone, mariner's compass, gunpowder, sewing machine, telescope, and photography. Twenty-one votes were in favor of the steamboat six for paper, two for timepieces, and only one for the ocean cable.

When the new year arrives in Japan, the people adorn their houses with branches of orange, plum, bamboo, and pine, each of which being placed over the entrance, has a symbolic meaning. The orange, called *dai-dai*, represents the idea of perpetuity, or the wish that there may be *dai-dai*—"generation on generation"—to keep up the family name. The bamboo signifies constancy as it is a wood that never changes its color; the pine-tree symbolizes perpetual joy; while the plum-tree, blossoming in cold weather, encourages man to rejoice in time of trouble and hope for better days.

In personal appearance the Cossack is not heroic. He is clumsy, with the coarse and common features of the Tartar type, and his shambling air and manner do not compensate for his want of fine proportions. But he has his courage, endurance, and fidelity. On service the Cossacks sleep in the open air, and are capital scouts, as their predatory habits, quick eyesight, and familiarity with wide tracts of country enable them to discern with great readiness the features of the ground they are travelling, to fall unexpectedly on small detachments of the enemy, and to disappear with rapidity as soon as the desired mischief has been effected.

THE CURIOSITIES OF BURNING.

There are many curiosities of burning, of extraordinary rapidity of combustion, which would be worth detailing if we had the space. Bad building is the cause of most, for bad building means rapid destruction by fire. The party wall in the majority or old houses built in a row, and in many new, does not reach to the roof, as it should, and the space between creates a channel—almost a blowpipe—for the spread of the fire to the next, which is very difficult to deal with. It is a danger provided against by legislation (for it is known that a 9-inch brick wall will resist fire as long as it stands), but often through carelessness it is overlooked. In France, under the Code Napoleon, the building of a proper party wall has always been very strictly enforced, and even in the terrible days of the Commune there was no instance of fire spreading from one house to the other. A building with a large frontage of windows—a large shop, for instance, with showrooms on each floor—is one of the most dangerous with which the brigade have to cope. The glass soon cracks and falls out, the air rushes in, and the whole soon becomes one vast blast furnace. Perhaps the most dangerous of all are those lofty establishments of flats, which very properly go by the name of the builder's or proprietor's folly. There is no one spot in them free from or unlikely to catch fire, for they are collections of private houses, as it were, and every part of a private house is equally vulnerable, and from their great height there are neither ladders long enough or water-jets powerful enough to reach the top stories.

(From the Indianapolis Times.)

AN INTERESTING LETTER

FROM MR. HARRY W. OLMSTEAD, PROOF-READER OF "THE TIMES."

The following letter is encouraging and worthy of careful perusal, coming, as it does, from so reliable a source, unsolicited. It contains facts of great value:

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Wishing you long life and prosperity, and thanking you for prolonging my life, I am

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RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Pennsylvania Railroad.

Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Division, and Northern Central Railway.

TIME TABLE.

In effect April 6th, 1885. Trains leave Sunbury.

EASTWARD,

9.40 a. m.—Sea Shore Express (daily except Sunday), for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 3.15 p. m.; New York 6.20 p. m.; Baltimore, 5.00 p. m.; Washington, 6.00 p. m., connecting at Philadelphia for all Sea Shore points. Through passenger coach to Philadelphia.

1.40 p. m.—Day express daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6.50 p. m.; New York, 9.50 p. m.; Baltimore 6.35 p. m.; Washington, 8.30 p. m. Parlor car through to Philadelphia and passenger coache through to Philadelphia and Baltimore.

8.20 p. m.—Williamsport Accommodation (daily, for Harrisburg and all intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4.25 a. m.; New York 7.00 a. m. Sleeping car accommodations can be secured at Harrisburg for Philadelphia and New York. On Sundays a through sleeping car will be run on this train from Williamsport to Philadelphia. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7 a. m.

4.30 a. m.—Erie Mail (daily except Monday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 8.35 a. m. New York 11.50 a. m.; Baltimore 8.30 a. m.; Washington, 9.25 a. m. through Parlor cars, sleeping cars are run on this train to Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, and through passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore.

WESTWARD.

5.20 a. m.—Erie Mail (daily except Sunday), for Erie and all intermediate stations and Canandaigua and intermediate stations, Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls, with through Pullman Palace cars and passenger coaches to Erie and Rochester.

8.50—News Express (daily except Sunday) for Lock Haven and intermediate stations.

1.05 p. m.—Niagara Express (daily except Sunday) for Kane and intermediate stations and Canandaigua and principal intermediate stations, Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls with through passenger coaches to Kane and Rochester and Parlor car to Williamsport.

5.35 p. m. Fast Line (daily except Sunday) for Renovo and intermediate stations, and Elmira, Watkins and intermediate stations, with through passenger coaches to Renovo and Watkins.

9.20 p. m.—Sunday mail for Renovo and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS FOR SUNBURY FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Sunday mail leaves Philadelphia 4.30 a. m. Harrisburg 7.40 arriving at Sunbury 9.20 a. m. with through sleeping car from Philadelphia to Williamsport.

News Express leaves Philadelphia 4.30 a. m. Harrisburg, 9.0 a. m. daily except Sunday arriving at Sunbury 9.55 a. m.

Niagara Express leaves Philadelphia, 7.40 a. m.; Baltimore 7.30 a. m. (daily except Sunday) arriving at Sunbury, 1.05 p. m. with through Parlor car from Philadelphia and through passenger coaches from Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Fast Line leaves New York 8.00 a. m.; Philadelphia, 11.50 a. m.; Washington, 10.50 a. m.; Baltimore, 10.45 a. m., (daily except Sunday) arriving at Sunbury, 5.35 p. m., with through passenger coaches from Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Erie Mail leaves New York 8.00 p. m.; Philadelphia, 11.50 p. m.; Washington, 10.00 p. m.; Baltimore, 11.2 p. m., (daily except Sunday) arriving at Sunbury 3.15 a. m., with through Pullman Sleeping cars from Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore and through passenger coaches from Philadelphia.

SUNBURY, HAZLETON & WILKESBARRE RAILROAD NORTH AND WEST BRANCH RAILWAY.

(Daily except Sunday.)

Wilkesbarre Mail leaves Sunbury 10.00 a. m. arriving at Bloom Ferry 10.32 a. m., Wilkes-barre 12.18 p. m.

Express East leaves Sunbury 5.45 p. m., arriving at Bloom Ferry 6.3[illegible] p. m., Wilkes-barre 8.00 p. m.

Sunbury Mail leaves Wilkesbarre 10.40 a. m. arriving at Bloom Ferry 12.08 p. m., Sunbury 12.0 p. m.

Express West leaves Wilkes-barre 2.45 p. m., arriving at Bloom Ferry 4.15 p. m., Sunbury 5.10 p. m.

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9 00	1 30	9 35	....Scranton....	5 50	9 40	2 20
8 54	1 24	9 19	....Believue....	5 55	9 45	2 25
8 48	1 19	9 14	....Taylorville..	6 01	9 50	2 30
8 40	1 11	9 06	..Lackawanna..	6 09	9 57	2 38
8 33	1 04	8 59	....Pittston....	6 17	10