

AN AFFLICTED MOTHER.

From the Times, Paw Paw, Ill. A resident of this town who has lost two children during the past six years by violent deaths has been utterly prostrated by the shock, and seriously sick as a result of it. One child (aged 9) was killed by a cyclone in '90 while at school; another, three years later was run over by a Burlington R. R. train. That grief and misfortunes may so prey on the mind as to lead to serious physical disorders has been well demonstrated in this case. As a result of them, her health was shattered and she has been a constant sufferer since 1890. Her principal trouble has been neuralgia of the stomach which was very painful, and attended all the symptoms of ordinary neuralgia, nervousness and indigestion. Physicians did her no good whatever. She was discouraged and abandoned all hope of getting well. Finally, however, a certain well known pill was recommended (Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.) She supplied herself with a quantity of them and had not taken them two weeks when she noticed a marked improvement in her condition. She continued taking the pills until seven or eight boxes had been consumed and she considered herself entirely cured. She can now eat all kinds of food, which is something she has not been able to do for years. She is not troubled in the least with nervousness as she was during the time of her stomach troubles. She is now well and all because of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People a complete cure has been made. If any one would like to hear more of the details of her suffering and relief gained by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People they may be obtained probably by writing the lady direct. She is one of our well known residents, Mrs. Ellen A. Oederkirk, Paw Paw, Ill. A young man's socks are not always accidentally exposed. Sometimes they are silk.—Washington Democrat. Be sure; neuralgia will cease. St. Jacobs Oil the cure. Get ease. Man is the architect of his own fortunes, and he doesn't have to move every spring.—Chicago Record. While asleep, cured soreness, stiffness? All right, St. Jacobs Oil did it. Why is it that men always look at the face of a bride and women at her clothes?—Chicago Daily News. Even Up. During the summer of 1896 a handsome New England woman paid a visit to one of the North side society queens of Wichita. In due time a swell lawn party was given by the hostess at her home, to make the visitors acquainted with her western friends. Among those invited was Will Beatty. He was presented to the eastern lady, and it happened to be his good fortune a little later in the evening to have her on his arm promenading over the velvet lawn. In the course of the conversation Miss Blank asked Mr. Beatty what business he followed, and he replied: "I'm a commercial traveler." The visitor, possibly in a moment of mental aberration, made this remark: "In the east commercial travelers do not go in the best society." Before the last word had hardly left her lips Mr. Beatty replied: "They don't here, either." Conversation was carried on after that in entirely different channels.—Wichita Eagle. Wonders of Science. Lady—Do you take instantaneous photographs? Photographer—Yes, madam; I can photograph a humming bird on the wing, or a swallow in its flight. "I want my baby's picture taken." "Yes, madam. Get the little fellow ready, and I will prepare the chloroform."—N. Y. Weekly. GOVERNOR ATKINSON. Recommends Pe-ru-na as an Excellent Remedy for Catarrh—Spring-Time the Best Time to Begin Treatment.



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Charleston, W. Va., March 9, 1898. Pe-ru-na Drug Mfg. Co., Columbus, O.: Gentlemen: I can recommend your preparation, Pe-ru-na, as a tonic. Its reputation as a cure for catarrh is excellent, it having been used by a number of people known to me with the very best results. Very truly, G. W. ATKINSON. Pe-ru-na enjoys a national reputation as a catarrh remedy. It is the only systematic catarrh remedy yet devised. A thorough course of Pe-ru-na eradicates catarrh from the system. Its cures are permanent. It thoroughly cures very old cases of chronic catarrh that have resisted all other treatment. It has cured cases of twenty-five years' standing. People afflicted with catarrh should begin a course of Pe-ru-na at once. The spring time is the best season for this purpose. The rigors of winter have passed with its chilling blast and freezing gales. The blizzard is gone and in its place the balmy zephyrs of spring have come. A short course of treatment with Pe-ru-na now will work wonders. Now is the best time. No set-backs from fresh colds, no delays from unventilated rooms. People of high and low station recommend Pe-ru-na. North, South, East and West use it as the supreme catarrh remedy of this generation. Everybody should have a copy of Dr. Hartman's latest books on chronic catarrh. Sent free by The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

The Exception. He—I had a scheme so the fellow could make \$10,000 as easily as turning over his hand, but the fool wouldn't go into it. She—Then a fool and his money are not always so easily parted after all.—Yonkers Statesman. The more work a man has, the more other people want him to do theirs.—Washington Democrat. A man must plow with such oxen as he hath.

WOMAN AND HOME.

RECIPE FOR SCRIPTURE CAKE.

Aunt Susanna was troubled. Worried as she could be— The misters were coming. What should she have for tea? She'd heated well the oven, The bread and pies to bake; "I guess," says Aunt Susanna, "I'll make a Scripture cake."

So while the bread was baking, Intent on kitchen lore, Her cook-book Aunt Susanna Was conning o'er and o'er. And then from out her pantry, When bread and pies were done, She took with careful fingers, Ingredients, one by one.

From Kings, First, twenty-second, And chapter four she took Four cups, one-half, then lightly, This in a pipkin shook. One cup, one-half, V Judges, Verse 25 fast chosen lore, She put out in the pipkin, And stirred without a pause.

Of Jeremiah, VI, 20, Two cups she now did take; First Samuel 12, XXX, Two cups went in the cake. Then two she took of Naham, Verse 12 and chapter third; And one of XVII, Numbers, Verse 8, with these she stirred.

And now, if you had watched her, My aunt you might have seen Two tablespoons taking, Of Samuel 25, XIV. She put this in the pipkin, Sure not a bit to waste; Then with 9, IX of Chronicles, She seasoned all to taste.

The prophet Jeremiah Then he put in the cake to mix, From verse II, XVII, I saw her beat up six. And heard her say to grandam "I'm sure this won't be bad," Leviticus then, 12 second, A pinch I saw her add.

From the last clause of Judges, The fourth, and verse 18, She took just half a cupful, And stirred it in, I ween. Two teaspoonfuls of Amos, IV, 5, to make it light; "I'm sure," said Aunt Susanna, "This cake will be just right."

"And now, as I am meaning To make it extra nice, I think I'll have to follow Old Solomon's advice. "What's that?—Oh, look in Proverbs, 14, and twenty-three, And there, for cake and children, You'll find the recipe."

Sub rosa, let me whisper, Be sure you keep it mum— The ministers all liked it, And ate up every crumb. —Helen B. Loring, in Good Housekeeping.

THE LETTUCE TEA SET. Design Is Neat and Novel, Which Seems the Most Desirable Thing Nowadays.



This pretty design represents lettuce leaves painted upon a cream white china, backgrounded. The tray is of white metal with small gold decorations. The inside of the cups is a very delicate green with stems of gold.

THE SUMMER CHEMISE. It is Popular Because It Fits the Figure So Well and Is Easily Made. The summer chemise is very popular, for it fits as it should. A loose garment which wrinkles and makes the figure large never has and never will be in favor; but the new French chemises, which are made to fit the figure, are always popular. They are used for a chemise and underskirt as well, and they form a dainty article of lingerie. In fitting them to the figure the same care should be taken as with a corset cover. The chemise buttons down the front to the waist; line after it is put on.

MEDIC COLLARETTES.

One Is to Be Worn Over the Other From House to Street.

The Medici house collarette calls for the Medici street collarette. The former cannot very well be worn without the latter. The house collarettes are very easily made, but they should not be quickly done, as the utmost neatness is necessary. Plaited chiffon of any color can be used. Gather closely upon a stout string until just the size of the neck. In gathering preserve the plaitings, and



FOR HOUSE AND STREET. when done you will have a high side-plaited collarette. For the heading many persons baste the top within an inch of the edge, then pull out the edge with the fingers to make a ruffle. A tiny wire here and there is necessary to preserve the shape of the collarette. The front can be a careless bow and end of the chiffon. A Medici collarette of mink is comfortable for wearing over this.

CARE OF UMBRELLAS.

Merits of Different Materials and How to Treat Them. In buying an umbrella you must take it on faith, for the most experienced shopper cannot tell how long it will wear. Silk of a smooth taffeta weave is a good purchase and light to carry. Gloria makes a heavier umbrella, but it outwears any silk make. No matter what the material may be, however, never keep it strapped, when it is carried. Keeping it tightly rolled up destroys half of its durable qualities. When wet, dry an umbrella by standing it with the handle down, so as to prevent rusting the framework, as hap-

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THE NEW MARY. Mary has a Billy goat, its tail is sort of bent, and everywhere that Mary goes the lamb is sure to went. He followed her to school one day, which made her hot as fire, for Mary had ridden on her wheel, and Billy ate the tire.—Oil City Blizzard.

THE ONLY REASON. Black—What is the use of keeping anything secret? White—So as to give women something to talk about.—Up-to-Date.

THE FARMING WORLD.

THE FARM CORN CROP.

To Do Its Best It Requires a Rich Soil, Either Naturally or Artificially Underdrained.

Having had years of experience I am convinced there is no other grain crop grown by the average farmer that will produce so much good, nutritious food from a given amount of seed and land as corn. The yield per acre can be greatly increased and more acres be left in clover and grass. To do its best, corn requires a rich soil, either naturally or artificially underdrained. The ideal preparation is to plow under a clover sod and treat thin spots to a coat of stable or barnyard manure, so as to secure an even growth all over the field. Next to a clover sod I prefer a timothy sod, next wheat stubble, and last of all, corn stubble. Ground well plowed is half harvested. Use a good plow, supplied with wheel and jointer. The wheel makes the plow run steadier and regulates the depth. The jointer throws all the rubbish and sod into the bottom of the furrow, where it will not bother in cultivation and more readily decay. By not making furrows too wide and turning them at an angle of 30 or 40 degrees, we shall have an ideal place for the seed. Plow as soon as the soil is dry enough to crumble nicely from the mold board.

Before planting, the ground must be worked down into a fine, mellow seed bed. The spring tooth harrow is a splendid implement to cut the ground up with, and if it happens to be cloddy I prefer a plank drag to a roller. Just before planting use a fine tooth smoothing harrow which will leave the surface fine and level. In planting I use the wire check rower and plant in hills three and one-half feet each way. It is easier to cultivate, the ground can be kept more level, it is much easier to harvest and I get just as large yields when it is planted in hills as in drills. As soon as corn is planted, begin cultivating by using a light, fine-toothed harrow, and again in three or four days use the same implement and go crosswise of the previous harrowing. As soon as we can see the corn along the row replace missing hills and start the two-horse cultivator. I use a cultivator with three small shovels on a side; the first plowing I plow very close to the corn, and after this plowing the ground is inclined to be dry, use the roller and follow this again with the cultivator. After this cultivate each week, each time crosswise of the preceding time, shallower and farther from the corn. Continue this cultivating until grain and hay harvest begins. After this I do nothing more to it, except go through with a hoe in July and August and remove stray weeds.—M. C. Thomas to Ohio Farmers' Institute.

DEVICE FOR PRUNING.

Although Simple, It Will Prove Very Effective for Use on All Small Limbs.

If one could stand upon the ground and reach all parts of the tree that need pruning, much more of this necessary work would be done. If pruning is attended to yearly, there will be very few large limbs to cut off. For all small limbs the device shown in the illustration will prove very effective. A sharp broad chisel is firmly fixed to the end of a pole, long enough to reach all parts of the tree, but light enough not to prove cumbersome to carry and handle. A simple push with the hands will cut off all small branches, but as for those a little larger, a blow on the lower end of the pole with a light mallet that is hung over the shoulder will sever them from the trunk. Another excellent device is a similar pole, to the end of which a narrow saw has been fitted, a saw no wider than the blade of the chisel. With this one can reach the highest limbs from the ground and saw them off.—Orange Judd Farmer.

AMONG THE POULTRY.

Plant plum or pear trees in the poultry runs. In mating always use active, vigorous cocks. All young fowls should be kept as dry as possible. Too much and too rich food often causes apoplexy. Yellow droppings mean indigestion more than cholera. Vermin will soonest attack poorly kept ill-fed poultry. Apoplexy and egg-bound are the results of excessive fat. Too much cornmeal is not healthy food for young chickens. Peking ducks are the best to keep where there are no ponds. The best turkeys for breeding are those that are two years old. Wheat can be fed to young chickens when they are two weeks old. So far as can be done at this time set two or three hens at a time now. Milk may be kept in pans and kept where the fowls can help themselves. All hens and pullets in good condition and with proper feeding will lay from February to September.—St. Louis Republic.

BREAD, POTATOES and MILK.

He Lived on Lenten Fare.

A Dyspeptic's daily diet.

Dyspepsia is one of the most prevalent of diseases. Thousands of people suffer from it in a more or less aggravated form. Few diseases are more painful to the individual or more far reaching in their effects on human life and happiness. What the dyspeptic needs is not local treatment, not mere temporary stimulus. The real need is the toning up of the entire system. Fortify the system and it will do its own fighting, and promptly eject any intruding disease. The success of Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla in curing indigestion and dyspepsia is due to just this quality which it possesses, of renewing the vital force, repairing the waste and loss of the body. The ordinary treatment brings the food down to the level of the weak stomach, leaving the waste and loss of the body. The strong food fit for men. It does this by strengthening the entire system. The stomach cannot stay weak when all the other organs are gaining strength. What Dr. Ayer's Sarsaparilla will do for dyspepsia is best illustrated in cases like that of M. S. Shields, Meridian, Miss. Mr. Shields had got down to the last level of dyspepsia. But let him tell his own story: "For years, I was afflicted with dyspepsia which gradually grew worse until I could eat nothing but bread and potatoes

HE HAS BECOME WEALTHY.

Has a Splendid Farm, Lots of Stock, and Pays But Little Taxes.

At the request of the Immigration Department of the Canadian Government, I give the following information: I immigrated to Manitoba in 1892, from Luverne, Rock County, Minn., and took land in Dominion City, Manitoba, where I now reside. I have been very successful in Manitoba, and have more than doubled my capital since I went to Canada. I took about \$2,500 worth of wheat, 200 bushels of flax and 600 bushels of oats; I do mixed farming. I milk as much as ten cows. Dairying and stock raising has paid me well; I have on the farm now 44 head of cattle and 18 head of horses, and sold during the past year (1897), \$425 worth of fat cattle. I have good buildings and a comfortable home and good stable. My children have had better school advantages in Manitoba than they had in Minnesota. The district schools are very thorough and good. My son, now 16 years of age, is teaching the public school in our district, and receives a salary of \$40 per year. All my children have done well at school. I have \$1,700 insurance on my buildings and on the farm. I also own my personal warehouse and ship all my grain through it to the railway station at Dominion City. It is free of debt. I have no prejudice against the State of Minnesota, as I made a living and a little more while in the state, but would not take a farm as a gift in Minnesota and leave Manitoba. The taxation in Minnesota was too great. I paid taxes on my stock and chattels. No such taxes have ever been exacted in Manitoba from me, and my land taxes are about one-half or less than it was in Minnesota. I am delighted with my new home and expect in a few years to be in circumstances that will enable me to take life easy. Yours very truly, S. G. MAYNES.

P. S. Any person that may take exception to the foregoing letter will kindly investigate, for I can back every word it contains. I am not an Immigration Agent, nor the agent of any corporation, but simply a farmer. S. G. MAYNES. Witness, C. W. SPEERS.

The above letter was written at the request of C. W. Speers in the State of Minnesota, where I am at present with my wife, visiting my friends in my old home. It is my intention to do what I can to have them remove to Canada, where I have done so well. Having called upon Mr. Davies, of St. Paul, Minn., I was received with every courtesy and got some valuable information as well as literature pertaining to Western Canada. SAMUEL G. MAYNES. Friends, They Say. Amy—Isn't that a small shoe, dear? Maud—Yes, dear—for the foot!—Boston Traveller. Lane's Family Medicine. Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Acts gently on the liver and kidneys. Cures sick headache. Price 25 and 50c. The gestures of a woman with pretty hands are always beautiful.—Washington Democrat.

Not His Fault. "Freddy, why don't you let your mustache grow?" "Why don't I let it? Good heavens, dear boy, I do, but it won't!"—Chicago Tribune. Cheap Rates to the West and South. On April 5 and 19, the North-Western Line will sell Home Seekers' excursion tickets, with favorable time limits, to numerous points in the West and South at exceptionally low rates. For tickets and full information apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Railway. Our Language. Tom—What a queer language ours is. Dick—Why? "We say a man is not game when he is chicken-hearted."—Up-to-Date. From Baby in the High Chair to grandma in the rocker Grain-O is good for the whole family. It is the long-desired substitute for coffee. Never upsets the nerves or injures the digestion. Made from pure grain it is a food in itself. Has the taste and appearance of the best coffee at a price. It is a genuine and scientific article and is come to stay. It makes for health and strength. Ask your grocer for Grain-O. Wife (enthusiastically)—"How much do you think we took in at the bazaar?" Husband (quietly)—"How many, you mean?"—Boston Traveller. Oh, What Splendid Coffee. Mr. Goodman, Williams Co., Ill., writes: "From one package Salzer's German Coffee Berry costing 15c I grew 300 lbs. of better coffee than I can buy in stores at 30 cents a lb." A package of this and big seed catalogue is sent you by John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon receipt of 15 cents stamps and this notice. Send for same to-day. K 1. We never have a very good opinion of a man to whom making an apology comes as easy as crying comes to a woman.—Atchison Globe. Coughing Leads to Consumption. Kemp's Balsam will stop the Cough at once. Go to your druggist to-day and get a sample bottle free. Large bottles 25 and 50 cents. Go at once; delays are dangerous. Why don't girls employed in match factories get married sooner than other girls?—Chicago Daily News. To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

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