

**JOHN C. HUBINGER.**

Remarkable Career of a Well-Known Western Capitalist, Manufacturer and Philanthropist.

Among the leaders of the progressive element for which the middle west is famous, Mr. John C. Hubinger, of Keokuk, Ia., reigns without a peer. As a manufacturer, as an enterprising capitalist and as a philanthropist his fame has spread over many states, and his financial enterprises have developed many obscure towns into progressive, thrifty and wide-awake cities. Mr. Hubinger, although but 47 years of age, can look back upon scores of commercial victories, each one of which has benefited mankind, for his liberality is as bountiful as his business sagacity is marvelous. He was born in New Orleans, La., his parents being of French and German origin. When he was four years old, his family removed to Kentucky, in which state young Hubinger received a public school education. Almost before reaching man's estate he secured patents on a number of valuable mechanical inventions, thereby laying the foundation of his present fortune.

By inclination and force of circumstances his attention was early directed to the manufacture of starch by improved processes, and in the course of time he became the head of a concern having an annual business of millions of dollars. But genuine ambition never quite satisfied with existing conditions, works ever toward perfection, and after years of painstaking study and research Mr. Hubinger has made a

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discovery, which he considers the crowning event of his wonderful career, and which is embodied in a new article of commerce, known as Red Cross Starch (Red Cross trade mark). He is planning to distribute millions of packages of this starch to the housewives of America, at a merely nominal price to the consumer, in order to make its merits known without delay. Packages of Red Cross Starch may be had, together with two magnificent Shakespearean views printed in 12 beautiful colors, or a Twentieth Century Girl Calendar; or for only 20 cents 10 packages of the starch and the entire series of eight Shakespearean views and one Twentieth Century Girl Calendar—views alone easily worth \$1.00. Watch this paper for future premium announcements, of which every lady will certainly want to take advantage.

While Mr. Hubinger will devote his best energies to the manufacture of this new and wonderful starch, he will not retire from the various financial enterprises in which he is interested—street railways, electric lighting plants and the Mississippi Valley Telephone Co., with 10,000 telephone subscribers in Minneapolis and St. Paul—nor will his augmented activity interfere with his social obligations and exercise of the splendid hospitality which he dispenses at his palatial Keokuk home. Mr. Hubinger's family, consisting of himself, wife and four children, is the pivot around which his activity revolves, and while fond of promoting great enterprises, he is still fonder of his home circle, where he spends every moment of time not taken up by business or public cares.

**Which Was the Bigamist.**  
A prominent resident of Chicago spending his summer holidays in the eastern provinces dedicated to the memory of the famous men and women who formed themselves into the philosophic workers and dreamers of Brook Farm encountered in the residence of Emerson two other prominent residents of the city on Lake Michigan, both of them judges of note and both living on the West side. The two jurists were accompanied by three attractive ladies unknown to the solitary prominent resident who first claimed attention, and after an interval of exclamation and greeting one of the judges turned and with a sweeping gesture introduced the ladies: "Mr. Dash, these are our wives."—Chicago Chronicle.

**PROGRESS.**  
With time, comes progress and advancement in all lines of successfully conducted enterprises. Success comes to those only who have goods with superior merit and a reputation. In the manufacture of laundry starch for the last quarter of a century J. C. Hubinger has been the peer of all others and to-day is placing on the market the finest laundry starch ever offered the public under our new and original method.

Ask your grocer for a coupon book which will enable you to get the first two large 10 cent packages of his new starch, RED CROSS, TRADE MARK brand, also two of the children's Shakespeare pictures painted in twelve beautiful colors as natural as life, or the Twentieth Century Girl Calendar, all absolutely free.

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Some men work hardest trying to accomplish useless things.—Chicago Daily News.



**WOMEN IN THE ORIENT.**

Among the Hindoos They Have No Interest in Heaven and Very Little in Earthly Things.

The Mohammedan peasant woman is spared all the jealousy and misery of sharing her title of wife with others, since her husband cannot afford to indulge in polygamy, though a Mohammedan of the better class may indulge in as many as four wives at a time, but it is not supposed to exceed that number. However, he can have just as many wives in his lifetime as he pleases, since he may resort to divorce on the smallest pretext, and as frequently as he chooses.

A Hindoo is generally supposed to have but one wife, but should she bear him no son within seven years he may take another; also for other reasons, sometimes the most trivial. The highest rank of the Hindoos are privileged to take as many wives as they like, and, since each wife brings him a good dowry, one of these aristocrats will wed as many as 100 wives, sometimes marrying all the eligible members of one family, and even engaging himself to 20 brides in one day.

In addition to the work of the household the woman always engages in some remunerative employment, such as picking, cleaning, spinning or weaving cotton, in company with others, or she makes vermicelli, weaves baskets, manufactures fans, or embroiders chaddars and caps with silk, in her own home.

Her costume varies according to her religion, race and rank, and so numerous and minute are the differences in dress that in the case of a man even his occupation may be known by his clothing.

Women of all ranks make a great display of jewelry, the rich wearing gold and precious stones, and the poor either silver or some manufactured material of little value. Numberless rings adorn the ears, nose, fingers and toes. A



HINDOO WOMEN OF THE BETTER CLASS.

necklet, a score of bracelets and two or three anklets encircle the neck, arms and ankles respectively. Sundry ornaments are also placed in the hair. The bracelets most commonly worn are made of glass ornamented with colored shellac. The necklet is often composed of the current coin, but the size increases and diminishes with the fluctuations of the income.

Having no individuality apart from her husband, a woman is practically an irresponsible creature, except that should she have the ill grace to outlive him she is blamed as the cause of his death, but then the circumstances are quite beyond her control, since it is the consequence of some crime of which she is guilty in a former existence, and therefore must be accepted as her fate in her present life.

She takes no part in public worship, and they say that serving a husband is the wife's religion, for that to worship the husband is to worship the gods. She only takes part in such ceremonies as relate to her position as wife and mother.

In recognition of the superiority of the man an Indian woman always sits on a lower seat than her husband. She walks at a respectful distance behind him, and never presumes to eat with him, always preparing his food and waiting upon him while he eats it, before she gives any thought to her own meal. It is not thought correct for a woman to utter her husband's name.

The laws of Hindooism teach that a woman must at no period of her life do anything according to her own pleasure, since in childhood she is dependent upon her father, in youth on her husband, and in widowhood on her sons, or, should she have no sons, on the kinsmen of her deceased husband, or on other male relatives, and failing all such relatives she becomes dependent upon the rajah.

Mohammed wrote: "Men shall have the preeminence above women, because of those advantages wherein God hath caused the former to excel the latter." In view of all this the struggle of our own women for "her rights" has a somewhat humorous side to the unprejudiced onlooker.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

**Washing Knuckles.**  
There is a new appliance which seems likely to lighten the labor of laundresses. Half a dozen rubber balls about an inch in diameter are suspended beneath a handle so that they can revolve independently of each other. The clothes are soaped and spread over a board, and the "washing knuckles" are then rolled up and down them with pressure, quickly removing dirt. They will certainly not fray linen as brushes do, and may be used on delicate fabrics with safety.

**LININGS FOR CASKETS.**

Directions by Which the Ingenious Home Artist Can Make Her Own Safety Vault.

Here is an ingenious device by which any home artist can convert her jewel casket into a veritable safety vault. And by this treatment the casket can be impressed into service as both a receptacle for valuables and a pin cushion.

Three separate linings are made, each a size larger or smaller than the other, according to the size of the first lining cut. It is better, however, to start with



PATTERNS FOR CASKET LININGS.

the smallest, then the size can be more evenly regulated. The jewels are laid between the first and second linings and the third is covered with silk to serve as a cushion cover. The advisability of placing valuables between the first and second linings can readily be recognized, as the existence of a second compartment would never be suspected after raising the cushion lining.

**WEEDS GOOD TO EAT.**

In Europe Many of Them Are Considered Delicacies and Used as Rare Flavorings.

Go out on any farm and see the farmer hoeing away at the weeds that threaten to choke his crop. You may hear him say things that wouldn't sound nice about the weeds.

The dandelion isn't the only weed eaten by people who know what's good to eat. Take wild cherry, the plague of the farmer. It makes one of the finest salads served, piquant, tender and wholesome. Charlock, or wild mustard, is another bane of the farmer. He doesn't know that as a pot herb it can give a soup a delightful flavor. The dockweeds—how annoying the whole family are! Yet the broad leaf variety and the curly leaf are used all over Europe as table vegetables.

There's the pokeweeds, commonest of them all. In France it is cultivated. It takes its place with sage, thyme, parsley and bay leaves as a flavoring for soup.

Everybody in America hates a nettle, and can't see what use it is. In Scotland, Poland and Germany tender young nettle leaves are used as greens. The Germans boil it with other vegetables to give them a piquant flavor. Purslane is another weed that can be treated the same way.

Most people think milkweed poisonous. It is a medicinal vegetable with a delightful flavor all its own. The young leaves when they are in just the right condition, are a cross between spinach and asparagus, and in a salad are delicious.

Sorrel, feticus and chevrl are looked on as field pests by ninety-nine out of every hundred farmers. The hundredth one picks the choicest leaves from these weeds and sends them to market, where they find a ready sale for salads to be eaten with game and for flavoring herbs—for herbs they are and not weeds.—N. Y. World.

**Perfumed Pads for Beds.**

While many a housewife has made it her habit to lay away the bed linen in lavender scented closets, it was not until recently that the perfumed pad invaded the bed itself. This pad is a thin quilted affair, which has one layer of cotton plentifully besprinkled with the favorite scent—either rose, lavender or violet—in a sachet powder. From time to time the powder is renewed around the edges. The pad is laid between the mattress and the lower sheet. Pillows are also opened at the corners and sachet powder shaken into the feathers. Those who are fond of the smell of pine woods gather pine needles during the summer and use them about the wide heads of the pads and pillows, making special little sacks for the needles and filling them in flat.

**Moths Routed by Perfume.**

It has become known to the wise ones that the destructive moth despises the pleasant fragrance of perfumes. For this reason the pungent and disagreeable remedy is not always necessary to rid wardrobes and closets of the ruinous insect. The mixture which is said to work this magical result is prepared as follows. Take one ounce each of cloves, nutmeg, cinnamon, caraway seed, mace and tonka beans, pound to powder and mix them with six ounces of orris root, which must also be in powder. These ingredients may be obtained ready crushed at a druggist's.

**A Bit of Fashionable Millinery.**

One of the most novel hats of the present season is made entirely of peacock feathers. It is a jaunty turban shape, covered closely with the fine breast feathers of the bird. Resting upon the crown is the peacock's head. The brim of the turban turns up at the back, and here crushed roses are massed.

**Reasons for High Heels.**

High heels, it is said, owe their origin to Persia, where they were introduced to raise the feet from the burning sands of that country.

**SHOWS TREMENDOUS POWER.**

Experiments With a Dynamite Shell at Sandy Hook—Would Sink a Battleship.

At the Sandy Hook proving grounds an experiment was made with a dynamite shell which tended to prove that if it had struck a battleship the latter would have been sunk. The shell, made from about 900 pounds of cast steel and carrying a bursting charge of 129½ pounds of explosive gelatine, was fired from an ordinary 12-inch rifle at a piece of Harveyized steel 12 inches thick and specially treated, placed 200 yards away at an angle of 45 degrees to the line of fire. Behind it was a thick backing of oak, and behind the oak was a small mountain of sand, the whole calculated to be stronger than a battleship's side. The steel target was blown clear of the oak backing, and 17 feet to one side.

The most destructive explosive was used in the shell. It was composed of 88 per cent of nitroglycerin, 8 per cent of gun-cotton as an absorbent, and 4 per cent of camphor. It is estimated to be 25 per cent more powerful than No. 1 dynamite.

**ONE WIFE SURELY ENOUGH.**

Why Monogamy Has Come to Be the Prevailing Matrimonial Principle in This Country.

Margherita Arlina Hamm, the well-known traveler and author, called when in China upon the wife, or rather the wives, of a great mandarin. Her visit partook of the nature of a festival, so novel was the experience to the Chinese women, whose lives are passed almost entirely within the walls of their yamen. They examined her clothing, and were partly pleased and partly astonished at it. They were shocked by her shoes, and especially by the fact that her feet were not confined by bindings.

Finally one of them said through the interpreter: "You can walk and run just as well as a man."

"Why, certainly."

"Can you ride a pony as well as a man?"

"Of course."

"Then you must be as strong as most men."

"Yes, I think I am."

"You wouldn't let a man beat you, not even your husband, would you?"

"Not at all."

The Chinese woman paused, laughed, and then said: "Now I understand why foreigners never take more than one wife. They are afraid to!"—Philadelphia Post.

**Strategy of a Spendthrift.**

A good story is told of a young man who, besides being of the spendthrift order, is a mimic and can imitate his father's voice to a nicety. Not long ago the young man wanted, without delay, some money to pay a bill, and he knew that his father would treat his request with cold contempt. Waiting till he knew that his father would be away he went to the telephone and rang up the office, calling for the cashier. The cashier was forthcoming, and when he was at the other end the young man imitated his father's voice: "I say, Blank, if that scraggle sort of mine comes around and asks for \$100, don't give it to him, only give him \$50." The cashier promised that he would fulfill the commands. Not long after that the son called at the office and demanded \$100. He was refused by the conscientious cashier, and, apparently in anger, the young man contented himself with the \$50. When the old man reached the office there was a scene.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

A fellow with a nice string of game very rarely comes into town by a back alley.—Washington (Ia.) Democrat.

It is surprising how many worthless men get into good positions, but they rarely ever hold them.—Washington (Ia.) Democrat.

Some girls don't seem to think of much but wearing good clothes, and we don't blame them.—Washington (Ia.) Democrat.

The more horse sense a man has the less he bets on the races.—Chicago Daily News.

A quarrelsome man is always a petty man.—Atchison Globe.

A salute of 13 guns is a bang-up affair.—Chicago Daily News.

Hoax—"Salary been reduced, eh? That's hard luck. Made you mad, didn't it?" Joax—"No, but it made me feel cheap."—Philadelphia Record.

Accuse a woman of extravagance, and she will remember that she saves all the strings that come around her waist, and feel that her conscience is clear.—Atchison Globe.

A loveless marriage isn't a circumstance to one that might occur in Atchison shortly; the bride has borrowed an elder sister's lingerie for three months, when she will go back to her own old clothes.—Atchison Globe.

"Your wife, I believe, is a strong-minded woman." "Oh, I don't know. I should rather regard her as brittle-minded." "Brittle-minded?" "Yes; she's been giving me pieces of her mind for several years."—Household Words.

Tomwell—"It's a wise man who knows when he's well off." Page—"Yes?" Tomwell—"Jackard told me that everybody was talking about my new book." Page—"And what then?" Tomwell—"I was foolish enough to ask what they said."—Boston Transcript.

"Miss Upperten—Clara," began the young man, "you have no doubt noticed that my attentions of late have been more than that of a mere friend. I love you, Clara, and why I haven't been here these three months is asking you to share my lot." "Pardon me for interrupting you," said the practical maiden, "but has the lot you wish me to share a good house on it with all the modern improvements?"—Chicago Daily News.

"What we need in this world is nature," she said. "We have too much artificiality. For my part, I simply adore nature. That's why I got my husband to buy a country place." "But you haven't been there this summer." "Oh, dear, no; certainly not. We won't be able to go there for two or three years yet. It will require all of that time for the landscape gardener to set it in shape for us."—Philadelphia Call.

**The Brute!**  
"He tried to kiss me, judge," said the female complainant.  
"Did he succeed?" queried the court.  
"No, sir."  
"Five dollars' fine!" thundered the court, turning to the prisoner. "Be more careful next time."—Philadelphia North American.  
"Hello!" exclaimed the fish. "Here to stay?" "No," replied the worm; "I just dropped in for a bite."—Philadelphia Record.  
Piso's Cure for Consumption is an A. No. 1 Asthma medicine.—W. R. Williams, Anthon, Ill., April 11, 1894.  
Men are men; the best sometimes forget.—Shakespeare.

**Lane's Family Medicine.**  
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**Employment for the Idle.**  
Almost anyone, when he can't think of anything else to do, eats something.—Washington Democrat.  
**To Cure a Cold in One Day**  
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In her apologies to her husband, a woman lays the blame of her failure on either her affections or her nerves.—Atchison Globe.  
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**A CAPABLE mother must be a healthy mother.**  
The experience of maternity should not be approached without careful physical preparation. Correct and practical counsel is what the expectant and would-be mother needs and this counsel she can secure without cost by writing to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass.

**CAPABLE MOTHERHOOD**

MRS. CORA GILSON, Yates, Manistee Co., Mich., writes:  
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"Seeing one of your books, I wrote to you telling you my troubles and asking for advice. You answered my letter promptly and I followed the directions faithfully, and derived so much benefit that I cannot praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound enough. I now find myself pregnant and have begun its use again. I cannot praise it enough."  
MRS. PERLEY MOULTON, Thetford, Vt., writes:  
"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—I think Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is an excellent medicine. I took several bottles of it before the birth of my baby and got along nicely. I had no after-pains and am now strong and enjoying good health. Baby is also fat and healthy."

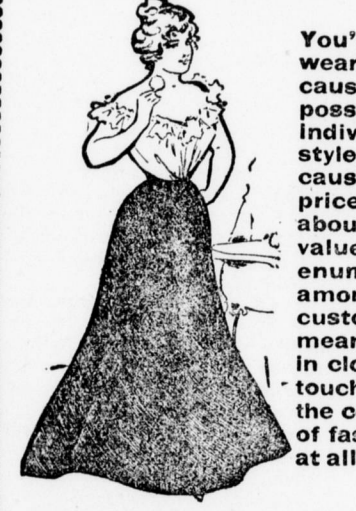


MRS. CHAS. GERBIG, 304 South Monroe St., Baltimore, Md., writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—Before taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was unable to become pregnant; but since I have used it my health is much improved, and I have a big baby boy, the joy and pride of our home."

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