WHAT'S THE BILL GOOD FOR?

Brooklyn Tailor's Comment on a Recent Find at Nippur.

On the car the other morning I happened to hang by the strap next to Bimmelstein's. Between begging pardons of and granting pardons to my near neighbors, I managed to read a few paragraphs in my newspaper One of them told of a remarkable find by a Nippur expedition of the University of Pennsylvania. It was nothing less than a well-preserved and thoroughly authenticated tailor's bill nearly 5,000 years old.

Since Bimmelstein himself is engaged in the clothing business, I thought he would be interested in this ancient relic, so I told him about it but the story seemed to make no impression on him.

"Hang it, man," said I, "don't you understand? It's a tailor bill almost 5,000 years old."

"Vell," he answered, "vot iss it good for? Dey can't gollect it."

Hydrophobia a Real Disease.

Despite the fact that denials have been made by various physicians of the existence of hydrophobia, several prominent members of the medical profession, at a meeting of the County Medical Society of the College of Physicians, declared that the disease has a "pathological entity," and should be so recognized. Dr. G. Morton Illman presented a paper entitled "A Report of a Case of Hydrophobia, with Autopsy." Dr. Illman described the symptoms as exhibited in the case and maintained that hydrophobia exists as a separate disease, with peculiar symptoms, and he asserted that it is a grave error to call it excessive hysteria, as has frequently been done Dr. M. P. Ravenel of the Veterinary department of the university said, in discussing the subject: "I have personally experimented on 150 cases of animals which I inoculated with the germs of rabies, and I found that the brain in each case showed the same symptoms, and these symptoms have been found in no other diseases."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

"Clefmania."

"Clefmania," says "T. A. T." is a comparatively modern form of the collecting craze. It consists in an irresistible ambition to gather together keys of all sorts, sizes and shapes One victim to the habit, a woman, openly confessed recently to having traveled over one hundred thousand miles in pursuit of her hobby, during which time she had expended, entirely on keys, quite a respectable fortune. Her collection comprises the key of the Nuremberg Iron Virgin, one said to have belonged to Cleopatra's jewel case, a huge iron specimen from the Tower of London, got by bribing a "Beefeater"; the one that used to unlock Anne Hathaway's cottage at Stratford-on-Avon, and many others equally curious and interesting.

FRAUDS IN A BALE OF HAY.

Frauds in Watch Cases.

According to an article in the Cincinnati Commercial, a fifty-one pound stone was recently found in that city secreted in a bale of hay of eighty pounds.

This is not as bad as finding a lump of lead of nearly one-half the weight of the solid gold watch case secreted in the centre of the case.

Gold watch cases are sold by weight, and no one can see where this lead is secreted until the springs of the case are taken out and the lead will be found secreted behind them.

These cases are made by companies who profess to be honest, but furnish the means to the dishonest to rob the public. It is not pleasant for anyone to find that he has lugged a lump of lead in his watch case.

Another trick of the makers of spurious solid gold watch cases is to stamp the case "U. S. Assay." The United States does not stamp any article made out of gold and silver except coin, and the fakir, by using this stamp, wants to make the public believe that the Government had something to do with the stamping or guaranteeing the fineness of watch cases.

Another trick of the watch fakir is to advertise a watch described as a solid gold filled watch with a twenty or twenty-five-year guarantee. These watches are generally sent C. O. D., and if the purchaser has paid for the watch he finds that the company which guaranteed the watch to wear is not in existence.

The Dueber-Hampden Watch Company, of Canton, Ohio, who are constantly exposing these frauds, will furnish the names of the manufacturers who are in this questionable business.

Stuttering children are numerous in Germany, and it is thought the ailment is contagious.

Alfalfa Clover.

For years the editor has been urging farmers to sow Alfalfa Clover, and glad he is that thousands of wide-awake farmers, scattered all over America, are doing this now, to their great benefit and satisfaction.

A. Walford, Westlore Farms, Pa., writes: "I have 60 acres in Salzer's Alfalfa Clover. It is immense. I cut three crops this season and have lots of pasture besides."

Hon. H. F. Hunter, S. D., says, "Salzer's Northern Grown Alfalfa clover cannot be beat. I have solved the question of stock raising here. Salzer's Alfalfa is good for 3 rousing crops of hay, Salzer's Speltz for 60 bu. of grain and 3 tons hay, Salzer's Macaroni Wheat for 65 bu. best hog fattening wheat, and Salzer's Hanna Barley, for arid, dry land, is good for 70 bu. per acre. These are all great hog, sheep and cattle fatteners, and last but not least, Salzer's Victoria Rape for sheep, and Salzer's Teosinte, good for 80 tons of green food for cattle, and Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass and Bromus Inermis for lots and lots of good hay. These things make it possible for me to grow live stock by the thousands.

Have you heard of Earliest cane? Gives six mowings a year, and Teosinte, the 80 ton per acre fodder wonder?

JUST SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10C. IN STAMPS to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples free. [A.C.L.]

If a man is going to believe in himself he had better not get too well acquainted with himself.

Many School Children Are Sickly.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up colds in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Constipation, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders and Destroy Worms. At all druggists, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N.Y.

Aluminum shoes for horses have been tested in the Russian cavalry.

CLASSICAL.

Since Molly's been to college
To study how to sing,
I tell you it's a wonder
The way she makes things ring
She sings in every language,
I guess, that there can be—
You ought to hear her warble
That song, "O. Promma Smee."

I don't know if it's German,
Italian, French or Swede—
I can't tell by my hearin'
No more than if I'd read
The words our Molly rolls out,
But I must say that we
Enjoy to hear her render
That song, "O Promma Smee."

I can't remember rightly
The words; I know the tune—
It sings itself, and echoes
To me all afternoon.
The neighbors think it's lovely;
In fact, they all agree
It's fine to hear her singing
That song, "O, Promma Smee."

—W. D. Nesbit.

MADE QUITE PLAIN.

"Say, pa, it says here in 'Lady Clare,' 'I trow they did not part in scorn.' What does 'I trow' mean?"

"That's the poetic way of saying 'you bet.'"—Chicago Record-Herald.

MIGHT BE WORSE.

The Actor—I hope we'll have better luck at the next town.

The Actress—Oh, we can't complain. We're leaving town in broad daylight and with our baggage.

WHICH?

Dashaway—I was with Miss Twinkleton all last evening and we never spoke to each other.

Cleverton—Quarrelling or making it up?—Detroit Free Press.

ADVICE.

The Artist—Perhaps when a man is wedded to his art it is a mistake to think of matrimony.

She—I dare say. At any rate, don't commit bigamy until you can afford it.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

First Capitalist (discussing the formation of news trust)—Of course we'll have to engage the best corporation lawyer in sight.

Second Capitalist (after thinking)—E-r, don't you think a first-class criminal lawyer would be more suited?

ORANGES ENOUGH.

Nodd—How is your orange grove in Florida getting on?

Todd—First rate, old man. Why, in a couple of years from now I expect to have enough oranges to supply my table.—Town Topics.

ALWAYS ANSWERS.

Charles—My wife's handwriting is awful! Just look at that letter.

His Friend—How do you manage to read it?

Charles—I don't. I just send the check.—Detroit Free Press.

SHAKESPEARE AMONG THE RUSSIANS.

"What are you carrying there?" inquired the Russian Captain of the private soldier who was staggering along under the weight of a heavy box.

"Caviare to the General," replied the soldier.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CLINCHED IT.

"It's all right," said Yerner's platonic friend, "she will marry you."

"Oh, don't make fun of me, Beas," protested Yerner. "You don't know anything about it."

"Yes, I do. I told her to-day that I wanted you."—Philadelphia Press.

ADVANCED.

"You say that Lord Fucash's social position has improved since he married a rich American girl?"

"Yes, indeed. Formerly he was only a nobleman, but now he belongs to our heiresstocracy." — Washington Star.

NO RAKE-OFF.

Lawyer Hawk—The Red Squirrel wants us to enter suit against the Gray Squirrel. They are disputing the possession of some hickory nuts.

His Partner—I don't see what we want with the case. We don't eat nuts.—Puck.

HOW ABOUT HIMSELF?

Mr. Bluster—Can't you remember where I put my cuffs last night?

Mrs. Bluster—Indeed I can't.

Mr. Bluster—Great heavens! I never saw such a forgetful woman.—Chicago Journal.

A SUSPICIOUS MAN.

Emeline—Sara and I can hardly understand each other over the telephone.

Edgar—Well, talk one at a time.—Detroit Free Press.

A CASE WORTH TRYING.

First Attorney—We can't go on with the case. Our client has no grounds for action.

His Partner—No grounds for action? Why, he's worth a million!—Chicago News.

A Professional Nurse Tells Her Experience With Doan's Kidney Pills.

Montague, Mass.

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.:

Gentlemen—I heartily wish those who are suffering from backache and disturbed action of the kidneys would try Doan's Kidney Pills. As was the case with me, they will be more than surprised with the results. I had been troubled for years with my spine. I could not lie on either side. Spinal cramps would follow, and words could not explain the agony which I would endure. While in these cramps I could not speak or move, but by making a great effort after the cramp had left me I could begin to speak and move a little, but my whole back was so sore and lame that I could not even have the back bathed for some time. My nerves were in a terrible state. I would rather sit up at night than go to bed, dreading the cramps and the terrible backaches. I consulted physicians, but got only a little relief for the time being. Seeing your advertisement, my mother urged me to try Doan's Kidney Pills. After using one box I was better, and have ever since been on the gain. I have no backache and no cramps now, and I feel like a new person. My nerves are better and I know my blood is purer. Words cannot express my thanks to you for what Doan's Kidney Pills have done for me. In my work as professional nurse I have a chance to recommend them, and they did me so much good that I will do so on every possible occasion.

HATTIE BRIGHAM, Nurse.

Doan's Kidney Pills are sold at 50 cents per box. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., for a free trial box.

There are 29,000 Indian children in school, 62,616 Indians who can speak English and 143,974 Indians who wear civilized dress.

Beware of Ointments For Catarrh Tha Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

Sold by Druggists; price, 75c. per bottle.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The erection of galvanized iron houses in Bloemfontein, the capital of the Orange River colony, has been prohibited.

The United States sold Korea about $400,000; worth last year.

FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free Dr. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa

Sometimes it is difficult to distinguish between contentment and laziness.

Millions in Oats.

Salzer's New National Oats yielded in 1903 in Mich. 240 bu.; in Mo., 255 bu.; in N. D., 310 bu., and in 30 other States from 150 to 300 bu. per acre. Now this Oat if generally grown in 1904 will add millions of bushels to the yield and millions of dollars to the farmer's purse. Try it for 1904. Largest Seed Potato and Alfalfa Clover growers in America. [A.C.L.]

Salzer's Speltz, Beardless Barley, Home Builder Corn, Macaroni Wheat, Pea Oat, Billion Dollar Grass and Earliest Cane are money makers for you, Mr. Farmer.

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Generally a man has seen too many great nights when he tells you he has seen better days.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle

The woman who wastes her breath talking never seems in want of any.

Money refunded for each package of PUTNAM FADELESS DYES if unsatisfactory.

There are men who wouldn't dare read the declaration of independence to their wives.

To Wash China Silk Dresses.

China silk dresses may be quite successfully washed. Remove all spots with benzine, then wash in warm soapsuds, rubbing between the hands, rinse through several waters. Use Ivory Soap and do not rub the soap on the dress. Wring as dry as possible, wrap in a sheet or clean cotton cloth, and, when partially dry, iron.

ELEANOR R. PARKER.

A decayed apple eaten by a schoolboy in Dublin caused a fatal attack of ptomaine poisoning.

Teosinte and Billion Dollar Grass.

The two greatest fodder plants on earth, one good for 14 tons of hay and the other 80 tons green fodder per acre. Grows everywhere, so does Victoria Rape, yielding 60,000 lbs. sheep and swine food per acre. [A.C.L.]

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Some men trust to luck in this world, and some others are lucky to get trusted.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—MRS. THOMAS ROBBINS, Maple St., Norwich, N.Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

By gaining round after round of applause the orator climbs the ladder of fame.

ADDS TO THE COTTON AREA.

Paraguay Is About to Engage in the Culture on a Large Scale.

The recent advance in the price of cotton in this country and in England has stimulated the culture of the plant in other countries. The possibility that the cotton manufacturers of the world are facing the prospect of a dearth of raw material seems to have excited the people of Paraguay. Cotton grows wild in that country, and the cultivated product, though different from ours, has a long and fine staple.

As in Peru, the plant is a small tree rather than a little bush, and it lives and produces for several years. European manufacturers have reported good results from its use. The Paraguayans, however, have never given much attention to its cultivation.

The newspapers of Asuncion have suddenly awakened to the opportunities presented, and have risen to the occasion. They are offering many suggestions to the government and assert that cotton will yet place Paraguay on the high road to prosperity.

They ask the government to employ the services of men of science, like Dr. Bertoni, to prepare pamphlets for distribution in the cotton trade of Great Britain, France and Germany, descriptive of the nature and qualities of Paraguayan cotton and the facilities for producing large supplies of it. They ask that Dr. Bertoni, Mr. Anisits and other experts be engaged to make a survey of the lands adapted to cotton cultivation in the republic; also that the government print and distribute among the farmers of the lowlands the best information as to the methods of cotton-raising.

"We may in a short time export $100,000,000 worth of cotton in a year," announces the enthusiastic Paraguay, a German weekly published at Asuncion.

No Plain Cooks.

Sir Thomas Horne, the president of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, made recently a tour of inspection over the Pennsylvania line from Philadelphia to Pittsburg.

Sir Thomas was much pleased with the service and cuisine of his dining car. He inspected the kitchen and showed great interest in the skilled maneuvers of the cook.

The cook, who was something of a wag, described to him distinguished visitor the kitchens of the great New York hotels, where the walls are of glass, the floors of vitrified brick, the tables of white marble, and the cooking utensils of German silver.

"A great hotel chef," he said, "has from fifty to seventy-five assistants under him. I know one of these chefs, and I visited him two weeks ago. His assistant cooks were all young women—the prettiest lot of young women I ever saw.

"'Why, Gaston,' I said to my friend, 'why pretty girls you employ!'

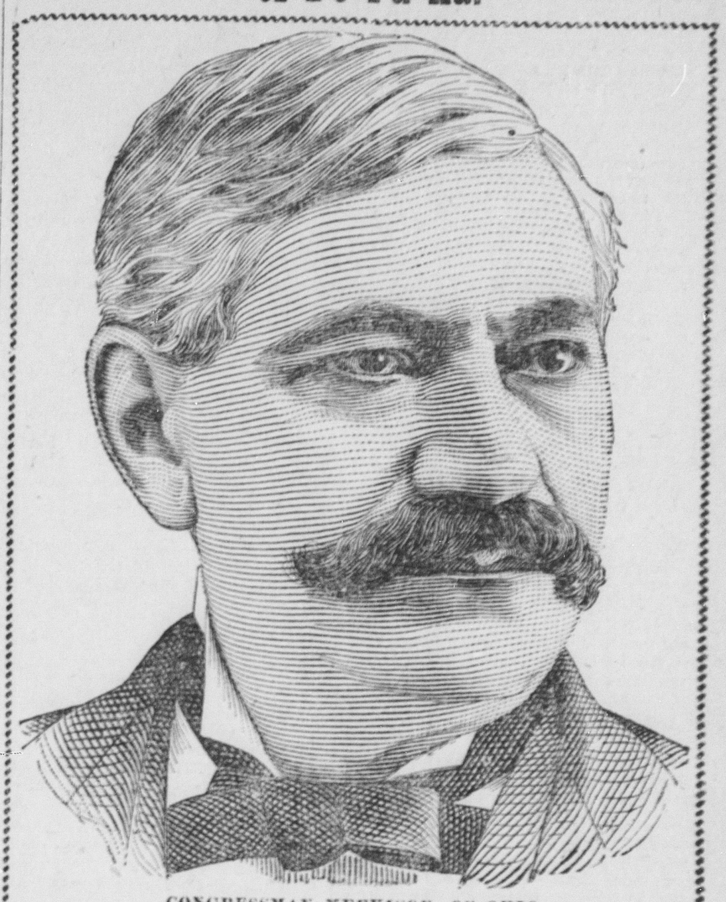
"'Indeed, they are pretty,' said he 'Plain cooks won't do here.'"

Gordon a Stranger to Fear.

Of Gen. Gordon, who died at Khartum, Lord Wolseley says: "A deeply religious man in whom danger apparently excited neither pleasure nor repugnance, he seemed only to distinguish between a safe position or an extremely perilous one as he would notice any slight change in the weather of a fine sunny day. He knew how infectious courage was and how much any exhibition of contempt for personal danger braced the nerves and steadied the heads of those less gifted with masculine daring than he was. He was a man in a hundred. During a lull in our siege operations one sailor was overheard saying to another in the battery: 'I haven't seen old Gordon here lately.' 'No,' answered his shipmate, 'the fire ain't hot enough for that old beggar just now.'"

FOR THIRTY YEARS

Congressman Meekison Suffered With Catarrh--Read His Endorsement of Pe-ru-na.



CONGRESSMAN MEEKISON, OF OHIO.

Hon. David Meekison is well known, not only in his own State but throughout America. He began his political career by serving four consecutive terms as Mayor of the town in which he lives, during which time he became widely known as the founder of the Meekison Bank of Napoleon, Ohio. He was elected to the Fifty-fifth Congress by a very large majority, and is the acknowledged leader of his party in his section of the State.

Only one flaw marred the otherwise complete success of this rising statesman. Catarrh, with its insidious approach and tenacious grasp, was his only unconquered foe. For thirty years he waged unsuccessful warfare against this personal enemy. At last Peruna came to the rescue, and he dictated the following letter to Dr. Hartman as the result:

"I have used several bottles of Peruna and I feel greatly benefited thereby from my catarrh of the head. I feel encouraged to believe that if I use it a short time longer I will be fully able to eradicate the disease of thirty years' standing."--David Meekison, ex-Member of Congress.

THE season of catching cold is upon us. The cough and the sneeze and nasal twang are to be heard on every hand. The origin of chronic catarrh, the most common and deadiul of diseases, is a cold.

This is the way the chronic catarrh generally begins. A person catches cold, which hangs on longer than usual. The cold generally starts in the head and throat. Then follows sensitiveness of the air passages which incline one to catch cold very easily. At last the person has a cold all the while seemingly, more or less discharge from the nose, hawking, spitting, frequent clearing of the throat, nostrils stopped up, full feeling in the head and sore, inflamed throat.

The best time to treat catarrh is at the very beginning. A bottle of Peruna properly used never fails to cure a common cold, thus preventing chronic catarrh.

While many people have been cured of chronic catarrh by a single bottle of Peruna, yet, as a rule, when the catarrh becomes thoroughly fixed, more than one bottle is necessary to complete a cure. Peruna has cured cases innumerable of catarrh of twenty years' standing. It is the best, if not the only internal remedy for chronic catarrh in existence.

But prevention is far better than cure. Every person subject to catching cold should take Peruna at once at the slightest symptom of cold or sore throat at this season of the year and thus prevent what is almost certain to end in chronic catarrh.

Mrs. A. Snedeker, Cartersville, Ga., writes:

"I saw that your catarrh remedy, Peruna, was doing others so much good that I thought I would try it and see what it would do for me. My case is an old one, and I have none of the acute symptoms now, because I have had the disease so long that I had none of the aches and pains, but a general run-down condition of the whole body—sore nose and throat and stomach. I had a good appetite, but my food did not nourish my system. I had come down from 140 to about 75 pounds in weight. I now feel that I am well of all my troubles."—Mrs. A. Snedeker.

Mrs. A. Snedeker.

Send for free book on catarrh, entitled "Winter Catarrh," by Dr. Hartman. "Health and Beauty" sent free to women only.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

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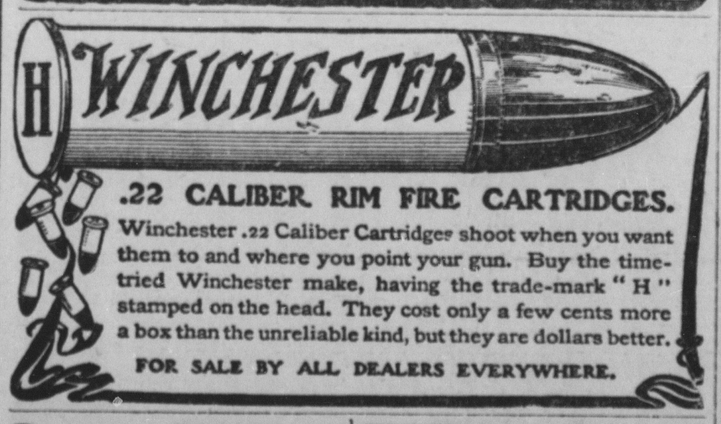

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