DR. R. C. FLOWER,

And His Congress of Physicians—Miracles in Medicine.

Monstrous Tumors Melt Away---The Lame Throw Aside Their Crutches and Walk---Cancer, Consumption and Chronic Troubles Cured in a Mysterious Manner.

Our readers are well acquainted with the name of Dr. R. C. Flower of Boston. His miraculous cures of the most desperate and abandoned cases when given up as incurable by leading physicians has caused the *Inter-Ocean* of Chicago, *Cincinnati Enquirer* and *New York Tribune* to say if miracles were ever performed, many of Dr. R. C. Flower's cures belong to that class of wonders. The *Cincinnati Enquirer* recently interviewed numerous prominent people in all sections of the country regarding Dr. Flower's treatment of patients. Here is what they say. They speak for themselves.

A Wonderful Cure.

Wm. Mix, a prominent lawyer and wealthy gentleman of 1044 Third avenue, Louisville, Ky.: Dr. R. C. Flower of Boston, Mass., cured my wife several years ago of the most terrible and dangerous diseases woman can be heir to. I consider Dr. Flower's cure of Mrs. Mix almost miraculous. I had spent thousands of dollars on prominent physicians in Louisville and New York without any help. After several months under the best specialists of New York she continued to grow worse, and I brought her home in the deepest despair. Under these conditions I took her to see Dr. Flower. He told her her trouble better than she could have told him, without asking a question. In a few months under Dr. Flower's treatment she was entirely cured, and has enjoyed ever since the finest health. As a physician Dr. Flower leads the world, I believe. He is a great man, his judgment is the highest authority. As a man Dr. Flower is one of the most pleasing, entertaining and cultured gentleman you ever met, and a man of the highest integrity.

Marasmus.

Henry D. Posey, 615 Chestnut street, Evansville, Ind., said: "I consider Dr. Flower the greatest physician in all the world. I don't believe there was ever such a doctor, and I doubt if there will ever be another, and I form my judgment from his work.

"I was a living skeleton when I went to see Dr. Flower, over a year ago. I could not eat anything, not even milk, without great distress. I had wasted to a shadow; I had given up hope and was given up. I resolved, as a very last resort, to consult Dr. Flower. I did so. He told me all my trouble without asking a question. Then I knew I was in the presence of a man who knew his business. I put myself under his care, and improved immediately, and am a sound, well man today. You can say for me I believe he has no equal on earth."

Fibroid Tumor.

Mrs. James E. Smith of Corydon, Ind., said: When I went to see Dr. R. C. Flower about a year ago I was suffering with a large advanced tumor. I had consulted and been treated by all the best doctors in this section of the country. They all advised an operation, and stated that unless I had one performed I would live but a few weeks, and it was by no means certain that an operation would help me. Dr. Flower told me my troubles, their origin and growth, without asking me a question. He stated that in his opinion an operation would prove fatal; on the other hand, he believed I could be successfully treated and cured without an operation. I placed myself under his treatment and began to improve immediately; today I am a well woman—no tumor, no pain, strong and happy. I wish every sick person knew of Dr. Flower.

Paralysis and Tumor---A Miracle.

Mrs. Wm. Deakyne of Sheridan, Ind., said: About a year ago I visited Dr. Flower. I was then helpless, in a paralyzed condition; went on crutches whenever I went out. A terrible tumor increased my already abnormal size rapidly. I measured over three and a half feet around the waist and over four feet from hip to hip. The disease had settled in one limb, and I had no use of it; was also fast losing my eyesight. My nerves were shattered and I had no memory. Not one of my friends ever thought I could be helped. The physicians had given me up as incurable. Dr. Flower had told me my troubles without asking me a question, or how they came upon me. I took a course of treatment under him, and, thank God, I am today a well woman. Look at me—tumor gone, natural in size, sight restored, memory good, nerves like iron, no crutches—I can walk for a mile and not feel tired. Why, sir, I believe Dr. Flower to be the greatest man of this age. He is a marvel!—a giant in his work. Several of my acquaintances he has cured in the same way. The people in Sheridan speak of this cure as wonderful and miraculous.

Consumption.

"I was a sufferer with consumption," said Mrs. John D. Becker, 103 John street, Evansville, Ind. "I had doctored with numerous physicians without relief. As a last resort (and the lady laughed as she added: 'Dr. Flower is always the last resort,') "I went to see Dr. R. C. Flower. He told me all about my troubles without asking me to say a word. So pleased was I with the examination that I placed myself under his care, and began to improve immediately, and today am a well woman. Ten months ago I could do no work, could scarcely walk, spent my time lying down or in a rocking chair; now I can do any kind of work, walk as much as when I was a young girl. I cannot speak too highly of my physician," said this cultured and refined woman. "Dr. Flower is a great man, an honest, candid man. He is smart, quick and keen and wonderfully fascinating. I don't think the sick have any cause to fear if under his care."

Confirmed Invalid.

Mrs. Joseph Cromwell, Xenia, O., said: I was a helpless and confirmed invalid when I went to see Dr. R. C. Flower. I could not walk 100 feet without sitting down. Besides, I was a nervous wreck. He diagnosed my case accurately. I began to improve immediately under his treatment. Can now skip, run and do what I want. Am well, and think Dr. Flower a medical wonder.

Chronic Stomach Trouble.

Rev. S. W. Keister, Dayton, O., said: "I went to see Dr. R. C. Flower as a last resort. He told me my troubles better than I could have told him; he cured me of a dreadful stomach trouble and nervous exhaustion. I consider him the most wonderful physician living."

Saved From a Fatal Operation.

Mrs. C. E. McOmber, of Ballston Spa, N. Y., said: Dr. R. C. Flower of Boston, cured me of an enlarged, fallen, inflamed and ulcerated womb. An operation by numerous physicians was the only thing advised, with no hope held out of its being successful. I had been given up as incurable, and had given up all hopes of ever being cured, when as a last resort my husband took me to see Dr. R. C. Flower. I was under his treatment for a few months, began to improve immediately, and in a few months was cured.

Gastritis.

Mrs. Etta Miller (wife of Mr. Miller, the merchant), of Binghamton, N. Y., says: I had been a great sufferer for years with stomach trouble. I had been treated by the best physicians in New York, who all in time gave my case up as incurable. They had treated me for gastritis, catarrh and cancer of stomach, for nervous dyspepsia and consumption of stomach and bowels. As a last resort I consulted Dr. R. C. Flower, and he took my case, and in a few months I was permanently cured.

Nervous Prostration.

Mrs. Joseph R. Sprague, Brewster, N. Y.: "I had been ill for ten years when I went to Dr. R. C. Flower. After the first month's treatment felt that he had helped me wonderfully. Was in a terrible condition; had nervous prostration and cancerous stomach trouble; also suffered with terrible headaches. Had been given up as incurable by all doctors and had given up all hope myself. But, thanks to Dr. Flower's skill, I am a well woman today and able to attend to my household duties and do just what I like.

"He also cured my son of enlargement of the liver.

"I don't believe there is any need of anyone dying if they will place themselves under his care."

Fungus Stomach.

Dr. Brooks, of Brooks & Evans, a prominent dentist of Portland, Me., said: "I am an admirer of Dr. R. C. Flower. I consider him the ablest physician of the age. Why, sir, he can tell a sick person his disease without knowing anything about him or asking him a question, just as easy as he would read his name. He has most successfully treated and cured me of a very serious and dangerous internal trouble which threatened not only my immediate health, but life (fungus of the stomach.) I was almost incapacitated for work, was wasting away and rapidly losing my strength. Under his treatment I sprang into health, have gained in strength and flesh, and am now young again. Dr. Flower is to me a marvel, an unsolved wonder. He is the most fascinating and genial man you ever saw. He is quick and brilliant, and it makes one feel well and young to talk with him."

The Worst of Blood Troubles.

Mrs. A. G. Thompson late of Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, now of Pittsfield, N. H., says: Dr. R. C. Flower, of Boston, cured me over ten years ago of the worst blood trouble man or woman ever had. It was eating the flesh rapidly from my bones. I suffered all the misery and torture of time every hour of my life. All the leading physicians of New York and New England had treated my case and all had given me up as incurable. In this condition I applied to Dr. Flower, and in a few months was permanently cured, for in ten years I have had no return of the trouble."

(Mrs. A. G. Thompson is one of the best-known women in New York and New England, her husband being for over twenty years one of the leading heads of the Fifth Avenue Hotel.)

Throat and Lung Trouble.

Rev. P. R. Danley, 614 W. Edmond street, Springfield, Ill., said: "Dr. R. C. Flower saved my life. He cured me of throat, lung and heart trouble. I was a physical wreck and would soon have been in my grave. I improved immediately under his treatment, and in a few months was permanently cured."

Blood Poisoning.

Mrs. Josephine Boardman, Norwich, Vt., said: "Before going to Dr. Flower I had been given up to die by several physicians, who pronounced my disease blood poisoning and cancer.

"After a few months' treatment with Dr. Flower am entirely cured. I was confined to my bed for several years and almost paralyzed. Today I am perfectly well."

Cancer of Breast and Neck.

Mrs. Hiram Bond, Haverhill, Mass., (and wife of one of the largest shoe manufacturers in America), said: "Dr. Flower cured me in 1882 of cancer of breast and neck, also tumor of womb and left ovary. I had three operations performed, but in each case the cancer returned more violent than before. I was pronounced incurable by the leading physicians of New England. In this condition I went to see Dr. R. C. Flower, of Boston. He cured me, removing every trace of cancer, tumor and bad blood, and all this without the use of a knife, without pain or my losing a drop of blood. I was under Dr. Flower's treatment about twelve months. He has cured many of my friends of similar diseases."

Gastritis.

Hon. J. Willard Rice of Boston, said: "Dr. R. C. Flower cured me of a gastric stomach trouble which threatened not only my health, but my life, and that after the best skill of New York and Boston had failed to give me relief. Dr. Flower is one of the most able, learned and skilful physicians of this age, besides he is a most genial and fascinating man and as brilliant as a star."

Stomach and Catarrh.

J. H. Tucker, a prominent farmer of Lebanon, Conn., said: "Dr. R. C. Flower has cured me of a most serious stomach and bowel trouble, together with aggravated chronic catarrh and nervous prostration. I was in absolute despair when I visited Dr. Flower. I had been disappointed by doctors in their vain attempt to cure me. No sooner did I begin Dr. Flower's treatment than I began to improve; my cure seems miraculous. Look at me; I am in the finest of health; I owe it all to him. And that is not all. Dr. Flower told me my troubles when I visited him without asking me a question, better than I could have told him."

Malignant Tumor.

Mrs. A. T. Longley, 801 Massachusetts avenue, N. E., Washington, D. C., said: Eight years ago Dr. R. C. Flower, of Boston, cured me of malignant tumor of womb and ovary, after all kinds of treatment and operations had failed. He stopped the hemorrhages and removed those eating growths without pain and without the knife. Her husband, A. T. Longley, the superintendent of government seed department, said he knew of other cures equally wonderful.

A Rheumatic Miracle.

Mrs. J. B. Shrier, Jr., 81 Spring street, Charleston, S. C., said: "I truly can say that by the skill of Dr. R. C. Flower, I escaped a most horrible death. I had had rheumatism for eight years, but lately it developed chalky joints. I was informed after being treated by the leading physician of this city, that there was no cure for my disease, and that amidst great suffering I would gradually turn to stone. Besides my continual suffering I was helpless, had but little use for any of my limbs, was suffering from insomnia and nervous prostration. In other words, I was a helpless, ruined and abandoned wreck. In this condition I was taken to see Dr. R. C. Flower during one of his visits to Savannah. Under his treatment I began to improve immediately, and today I can walk as fast and well as anyone; use my limbs freely; the swelling in my joints has disappeared; I sleep well; my nerves are strong, and my cure is considered by all my friends as a miraculous escape from death.

From Helplessness to Perfect Health.

Hutson Lee, the well-known insurance man of Charleston, S. C., said: "My oldest son was restored by Dr. R. C. Flower from helplessness to the perfect use of his limbs after the best physicians in our country had failed to give him the slightest relief."

A Miracle.

Mrs. J. D. Clark, of Jonesboro, Ga., said: "I had a supposed incurable spinal trouble, double curvature, besides other serious and almost fatal troubles, a woman helpless in braces and on crutches. The most prominent physician in Atlanta had treated me, the hospitals had had me for treatment, and they had all given me up as incurable. In this helpless, suffering and dying condition I was taken to Dr. Flower, when almost, as by magic, he restored me to perfect health. I don't pretend to say how he did it, but he did it."

Cancer of the Tongue.

Mrs. E. A. Selling, Avenue L and Twenty-second street, Galveston, Tex., said: "When I first consulted Dr. R. C. Flower of Boston, I was suffering from a terrible cancer of the tongue, and had given myself up to die, but in a few months he entirely cured me. I am perfectly well today. Everybody who knew my condition look upon my cure as a miracle. Dr. Flower is the most wonderful physician and wonderful man I ever knew. Go into his presence and you feel his power."

Fungus Liver.

Joel Huey, president of First National Bank of Corsicana, Texas, said: "Dr. R. C. Flower is the most wonderful physician I ever knew. He cured me of a fungus cancerous condition of the stomach and liver after numerous physicians had failed to help me and I had been given up to die."

The above testimonials are from many of the most prominent, wealthy and influential men and women of this country. They calmly and deliberately say that Dr. R. C. Flower cured them after they had been given up to die, and that if it had not been for him they would have been in their graves. They represent all kinds of business, all professions, all positions of prominence, and nearly all sections of the country. The testimony of one is the testimony of all, proving his almost supernatural power in curing the sick, and that his practice girdles the world.

Dr. Flower has established a congress or staff of physicians, and is locating a physician in every state in the union. These staff physicians are the most skilled and able men (regardless of their school). These staff physicians examine patients, arrange for their treatment and send a written diagnosis of each case to him. From that time on they are under his care, the same as if the doctor had personally examined them himself. Thus Dr. Flower's patients can be examined and re-examined as needed by skilled physicians who are in close touch and communication with the doctor's practice. Dr. Flower spares no expense in making the cure of his patients absolute and complete.

Those wishing to know more of Dr. R. C. Flower, by sending two 2-cent stamps to the Flower Medical Company, 559 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass., will receive his work, entitled, "Dr. R. C. Flower in the Sick Room."

FARM AND GARDEN

STYLISH ANIMALS IN DEMAND.

Farmers make a mistake in breeding when they raise horses to please themselves. They must breed to suit the market. The outlook for breeding now is better than it has been, because the knife is being more freely used on poor stallions every day, and quality and individuality of horses are constantly being raised in consequence. People who are fond of driving want stylish animals, and it will pay the farmer to breed for that standard. Then after they are bred it will pay to bit them thoroughly, match them up, accustom them to sights and sounds in city and country and condition them so that they will be ready for work as soon as sold.—New York World.

TIME TO DRY OFF COWS.

Most farmers dry off their cows in time to give them a rest of from one to two months before calving. There are some, however, who milk up to the time of dropping the calves. The best authorities strongly condemn this practice, believing that impairs the constitutional strength of both mother and calf, and lessens the subsequent production of both milk and butter. The farmer who delivers milk or supplies butter to private customers, needs about the same quantity of milk throughout the year, and plans to have his cows come in at all seasons. If he has a winter dairy, or sells milk or cream to a creamery, the cows will be dried off in the latter part of summer, when the prices for dairy products are low.—American Agriculturist.

A CHEAP MUSHROOM BED.

According to the Musee des Familles, the following is a very simple and cheap method of preparing a mushroom bed that will yield a crop all the year round.

In a pine box about twenty inches in depth, and three feet square, place a four-inch thick stratum of a mixture of three parts of dry cow manure and one part of garden soil. Having procured some mushroom spawn, break it up and sow it in a second stratum of manure and earth two inches in depth. Slightly compress the whole and cover with an eight-inch layer of earth, which should be kept damp by watering through a fine hose.

In six or eight weeks the first crop of mushrooms will appear at the surface, and will continue to do so for at least two years, provided the bed is kept damp.

A small quantity of aqua ammonia added to the water with which the bed is moistened will hasten the appearance of the fungi.

The box should be placed by preference in a place where the light is not too bright, say in a cellar in which the temperature is moderate and equable, or in a dark part of a stable.

WORK FOR RAINY DAYS.

By far too many farmers and their laborers consider the rainy days as sacred to rest and inactivity, thinks the American Agriculturist. The thrifty, successful farmer, however, usually has plenty of indoor work planned for this inclement weather. The harness is to be cleaned and properly oiled, the stable floors are to be mended, tools and wagons repaired, gates made, the compost heap in the basement handled over, and a hundred other little jobs attended to. The team may need shoeing; if so, let the man take them to the shop. He will do more favors in the future than if kept working on the farm all the time, and these little things show that you have confidence in him. He will fully appreciate the situation and not find fault if, in the rush of work, late hours sometimes find him in the field, and will look after your interests in the proper care of live stock and the attention to details that will make many dollars' difference in your favor at the end of the year. The tasks planned for rainy days should be such as can be done under, or near to shelter. In the latter case, the intervals between showers may be utilized. It rarely pays any farmer to work outdoors when it is raining.

SUCCESS WITH ROSES.

The first step to success in the growing of roses is to select a suitable place for planting. This is an absolute necessity. The best place in the garden is none too good for roses. Do not plant on the north side or at a corner of the house, as the winds would injure the bushes, and the sun could not properly reach them. A warm, sunny position should be selected, on a southern exposure, and not too near a building or tree, lest the rose be robbed of the needed nourishment and sunshine.

It is sufficient if the rose has the sun in the morning and during part of the afternoon. The best results are had when the roses are planted in groups or hedges, as they grow much better and are more easily cared for. They should not be planted in the shade of trees or buildings. The rose requires plenty of nourishment, water and pure air. It should always be kept free from dead leaves and insects.

Roses do well in almost any garden soil, which is not too sandy; in the latter case, much benefit will be derived from mixing in clay or muck in suitable proportions. If the soil is too heavy, a mixture of wood ashes and air-slacked lime would make it about right. Do not forget to fertilize the soil generously with cow manure and bone manure. Water should not be allowed to settle about the bushes in winter, as it will do great harm to the plants.

By following these suggestions, there will be no difficulty in raising fine roses.—Amateur Gardening.

RULES FOR THE DAIRY.

1. Cow-sheds should receive regular and thorough cleansing every morning. Refuse carried out to the manure heaps; stall well cleaned with farm hoe, afterwards brushed; channel brushed, and washed out well; clean bedding laid down; feeding-trough always cleaned out previous to feeding time; warmth of shed attended to and no draughts of cold air allowed.

2. Ventilation of cow-shed should have particular attention every morning; after the shed is cleaned out, open the top and bottom of window.

3. Cows well cleaned with the curry-comb and brush each morning.

4. The cow's teats cleaned before milking.

5. Milk should have particular attention in straining it.

6. Rooms containing cream and milk, also milk pans, require careful attention; washing and keeping clean of room and milk vessels well attended to; the room also kept well ventilated; no bad air allowed.

7. Churns kept well cleaned; always washed out clean previous to working them.

8. Temperature of cream previous to churning carefully attended to; for the purpose have a thermometer thirty-five degrees Fahrenheit in summer and a few degrees higher in winter.

9. All dairy utensils kept perfectly clean and also in a room for themselves.

10. No dairy utensils should be washed inside a dairy; have a small wooden trough outside the dairy for this purpose.

11. Keep the floor inside the working compartment perfectly clean; no milk or other liquid allowed to remain on it.

12. Attend to the washing of the milk from the butter with great attention.

13. The hands not allowed to come in contact with the butter while making.

14. Butter not made up for final use after salting, until a short period of time elapses also, butter should not be worked too much. Use small wooden spades for working the butter throughout entire process.

15. Neatness observed in making up of butter.

16. All dairy vessel employed for making purposes kept strictly clean.

17. Working dairy compartments should be well cleaned, floor, benches, at end of each week; also exterior portion of dairy well cleaned. No water allowed to remain in channels outside the dairy.

18. Have no decayed refuse near the dairy on any account.

19. Feeding of milk cows carefully attended to. Food should be clean, fresh and given at regulated periods.

20. A moderate supply of salt (rock) very beneficial for young cows. Place lumps of salt in the feeding trough.

21. The drinking water for your cows should be perfectly cleanly, also the vessels.—Dairy World, London.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

Keep the raspberries free from weeds.

Pumpkins and squashes in the corn rows are clear profit.

Do not kill or sell the best pullets. Keep them for winter eggs.

All straw and no hay will turn a bright heifer into a dull cow.

Continue with seed sowing if you would have continuous crops.

In summer sixty degrees is about the right temperature at which to churn.

Mulch the celery bed heavily between the plants with a fine compost of cut straw.

Buckwheat is a good crop to grow and plow under to increase the fertility of the soil.

One of the greatest leaks in dairying is the great loss of butter-fat lost by careless handling.

Take good care of the young cows, that they may continue profitable when they are old.

Berries planted a year ago should be allowed to bear but little fruit, but of extra fine quality.

Long-continued cutting of asparagus weakens the vines, which should be given a rest until next season.

In experiments made by the Arkansas experiment station Bordeaux mixture proved the best preventative of apple scab.

A few gooseberry plants should find a place in every fruit garden, as they give a variety and add to the list of really valuable fruits.

Tomato plants when pruned and carefully tied back ripen their fruit in advance of those neglected, because the sun can get to them.

A strawberry grower says that the first plant that forms upon a strawberry runner is the best, and should be selected for transplanting.

If you keep your milk and cream in the cellar along with turnips, potatoes and rotten pumpkins, and have no other place to keep milk and cream, sell your cows.

The mouths of a plant are its fine white roots. They take up food just as a young animal, and if this is not supplied they die for the same reasons an animal would starve or die.

Apple trees should be pruned so that all parts may easily be reached by a spray; well-pruned trees allow free access of light and air among their branches, which prevent fungi from obtaining so strong a foothold.

Improvement in the quality of beets and in the processes of manufacture is so great that in Germany the root will produce ten per cent. of its weight in sugar. This is encouraging to those who are experimenting in this line in this country.

Asparagus may be grown with the use of fertilizers as well as by the application of manure. Experiments made during the past two years are very favorable to fertilizers, applications being made late in the fall and early in the spring. A hen with a brood of chicks is the best protection against the asparagus beetle.

TEMPERANCE.

WHO KILLED THIS BABY?

One little baby was rescued from its fighting parents by our slum sisters, and when taken to our Salvation Army nursery it was in a stupor. A few days afterward it died, and the doctor who performed the autopsy said it died as truly a victim of alcoholic poisoning as any older case he had had to diagnose. Be it remembered that this baby was but fifteen months old. Not only had it been nursed by a drunken mother, but the liquor had been poured down its little throat when it cried. Perhaps its lot is happier than those who do not receive the liquor in large enough doses to poison them right away, but drag through a drink cursed life which ends in crime, State prison or the electric chair.—Mrs. General Booth, in Child-Life in the Slums.

PROVED ONCE MORE.

Lord Wolseley allowed no liquor to the British Regulars and Canadian Volunteer who suppressed the rising of 1870, and in Blackwood's Magazine General Middleton relates how he followed this example in the last Riel Rebellion in 1885. There was rough work to be done in pursuing the wily half-breeds through the snow and treacherous "muskegs" of the trackless prairie, and it was not easy to make men called from the office and the warehouse content with hot tea. But it was done. Not a drop of any stimulant passed the lips of the General himself, or of his officers, and the cup that cheers but not inebriates was, we are assured, "a much better preventive of colds and coughs from exposure to rain and snow than any amount of spirits could have been."

LABOR AND LIQUOR.

The Scottish Reformer invites attention to a letter from a large employer of labor to J. H. Raper, Esq., in the vicinity of whose works there were formerly three licensed "public houses," which the workmen had daily to pass in going to and from their homes. The temptation to stop and drink was of course great. These licensed places for the sale of liquor have now been closed. The statement is made that the improvement is wonderful. The people are better fed and clothed, and they are more thrifty. Their homes are more comfortable, some of the men have even bought houses of their own, and the young men and boys are attending evening schools, instead of spending their spare time in the public house. The people are all more contented and happy. Among the many burdens which workingmen suffer from the drink habit is one of the most grievous and destructive.

ALCOHOL AND HALF-DROWNED PERSONS.

The London Lancet says: "Dr. Wilkinson, of Tynemouth, surgeon to the Tynemouth Volunteer Life Brigade, in reference to an accident which occurred on the pier during the late gale, gave timely advice to the volunteers as to the danger of administering alcohol to half-drowned persons. He mentioned the case of a young man who was knocked down on the pier by a wave, sustaining an injury to his side. He was brought to the surgery drenched to the skin and extremely cold. He emitted a strong odor of spirits, and it was found that after the accident he had been taken to a public house, and brandy had been given to him. Dr. Wilkinson ordered him to go to bed at once at a hotel, but he persisted in returning home to Newcastle—a slow journey—sitting in his wet clothes. He died half an hour after his arrival home. Dr. Wilkinson pointed out that it was important to the members of the brigade to remember that it was often a fatal mistake to give brandy to a half-drowned person, at any rate until the wet clothing had been removed, and the temperature had been raised in a warm bed."

TEMPERANCE NEWS AND NOTES.

In Hawaii last year 2282 persons were arrested for drunkenness.

In the Zurich Lunatic Asylum one-fourth of the cases were ascribed to drink.

Dr. Speyer says that one-eighth of the insane in public asylums were sent there from alcoholism.

Somebody says that the labor question will remain open as long as the drinking saloons do.

A Cedar Rapids (Iowa) woman has sued a druggist for $3000 for selling liquor to her husband.

Otto Lang found that eighty-eight per cent. of the crimes committed in Zurich were due to drink.

The Junior Order of American Mechanics has voted not to admit liquor dealers to membership in the order.

Dr. Baer, a well-known writer on German prisons, alleges that forty-four per cent. of the prisoners were intemperate.

In 1893 one in seventeen deaths which occurred in Switzerland were ascribed to drinking habits (including women and children).

The average character of boys and young men in Kansas is said to be much higher since prohibition of the liquor traffic than before.

According to statistics of insurance companies total abstainers live on an average thirteen years longer than moderate drinkers.

The noted professors of physiology, Gaule in Berne, Hertzen in Lausanne, Bunge in Basle, and Schiff in Geneva, are total abstainers from alcohol.

Professor Strumpell, of Erlangen, says that alcohol has an evil influence in the causation of most diseases, and is the ruling cause of dyspepsia in adults.

In New York a temperance society to promote moderation in drinking as well as total abstinence, has been organized under the direction of the Episcopal Church.

In Great Britain and Ireland there are nearly 20,000 juvenile temperance societies of one kind and another, with an estimated membership of 2,611,000 young people.

The Saratoga (N. Y.) Board of Fire Commissioners has forbidden any permanent employe drinking any kind of liquor while on duty or entering any place where it is sold except in performance of his duties.

Canon Kelly says that whereas it was formerly a common thing for alcoholic stimulants to be used in the English universities, now both the dons and young fellows are learning to do without them, or to use them in the strictest moderation.

New York Close to Two Million.

The 108th volume of the New York City Directory has just been distributed. This year's volume contains 387,411 names, and, at the ratio of five to one, it is estimated that the city contains 1,937,055 inhabitants residing or doing business within forty-one square miles. In the Chicago directory the names represented spread over 185 square miles and in Philadelphia 129 square miles.

The Strike and Uncle Sam.

The cost to the United States of putting down the railroad strike in the West is estimated by Government officials as fully $1,000,000.

Dr. Kilmer's SWAMP-ROOT cures all Kidney and Bladder troubles. Pamphlet and Consultation free. Laboratory Binghamton, N. Y.

MEMPHIS (Tenn.) has a prosperous Italian colony.

A Dose in Time Saves Nine of Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar for Coughs.

Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute.

A Beautiful Souvenir Spoon

Will be sent with every bottle of *Dr. Hoxsie's Certain Croup Cure.* Ordered by mail, postpaid, 50 cts. Address, Hoxsie, Buffalo, N. Y.

Hall's Catarrh Cure

Is a Constitutional Cure. Price 75c.

Karl's Clover Root, the great blood purifier, gives freshness and clearness to the complexion and cures constipation. 25 cts., 50 cts., $1.

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"Now, loyal citizen as I am, I have received a bitter blow from the United States Government. It stabbed me, using the Dead Letter Office as a dagger. It was like this: Just a month ago at the club I wrote a letter to the girl I am going to marry. I had told only one or two of my intimate friends of the engagement, and we weren't going to announce it until fall. Well, as I was saying, I wrote to Alice Jevons that day at the club, and told her how fond I was of her. I loved her very hard that day, and I used some strong expressions: I suppose my heart ran away with my pen, so to speak.

"To make a short story a little longer, I sat down by the window to direct the envelope. I got to gazing out on the fleecy clouds floating across the blue depths of the sky, and thinking about her, as a man does, you know. Well, I suppose I directed the letter wrong. It never reached her. Instead of that, a month later, came a nasty-looking official envelope addressed to 'Loving Tom,' in care of the club. The postoffice people hadn't been able to find the girl, so they tried to send the drivel back to the one who wrote it, and their only clew was the signature and the engraved letterhead.

"Well, nobody at the club could fancy who 'Loving Tom' was, so the House Committee opened the envelope. The first thing they saw was 'Dearest Alice,' and the first sentence was absolute insanity. Then they recognized my writing and forebore to read further."

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