

Wonderful Old Man.
Benjamin Riddle of Ellmsville, Franklin County, Ky., has celebrated his ninety-fourth birthday. He has lost a tooth, can see as good as ever and is a splendid rider. He has ten children, equally divided in sex, fifty-two grandchildren, and fifty-seven great-grandchildren, making a total of 119 descendants, whose aggregate ages foot up more than 2000 years.

The city of Rochester, N. Y., taxes the theatres only \$50 a year.

Served Three Monarchs.
Edward Pye, a gardener of the Great Park at Windsor, died a few days ago at the age of eighty-three. Pye must have served at least three sovereigns—George IV, William IV, and then, for close upon six decades, Queen Victoria.

The Searcher.
The searcher for truth is generally rewarded, although it is said that "Truth lies at the bottom of a well." We need something when we are afflicted with neuralgia to search out the seat of the pain, or the pain spot, and as St. Joseph's Oil is the best for this purpose, it is the best for the neuralgia, it goes through like an "X" ray, and conquers and soothes the pain. All pain trouble of a nervous nature needs careful treatment and patience. The afflicted nerves must be brought into expansion, and stimulated into beautiful action, so as to restore. This is the virtue of the great remedy for pain, and it is, therefore, well known as the best. It may be used, and will know after the truth of our bodily ailments.

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A Colored Philanthropist.
W. C. Coleman, a wealthy colored man, of Concord, N. C., has decided to build and equip a cotton mill in Concord, N. C., for the double object of teaching and giving employment to colored people. He believes that colored people can be employed as cotton mill operatives satisfactorily to the mill owners and greatly to the pecuniary advantage of the colored people themselves.

A man has been discovered in Texas who has sixteen wives.

Poisonous Plants.
When we take into consideration the poisonous qualities of the vegetables and plants with which we are surrounded, we are led to wonder how it is that children and heedless persons go about and escape with their lives. Little children especially, who have the habit of putting so many things into their mouths, ought to be carefully watched.

It will surprise many persons to be told that old potatoes which have sprouted contain a definitely recognized poison known as solanine. New potatoes, which are so eagerly sought after early in the season, would be poisonous if eaten raw. The heat of cooking destroys their toxic qualities. The root of the common kidney bean is the most powerful narcotic. The jimson weed is dangerous to life. The bark of the common elder is a deadly poison, which fact was never suspected until five boys near Tarrytown, N. Y., chewed the stalks, supposing they were sassafras. They all died within a few hours. The bulb of the narcissus is deadly poison. A small bit chewed may cause death, while to chew the leaves is to put oneself in danger of the most violent attack of vomiting. Yewberries are deadly; peach pits and cherry kernels contain prussic acid, and any quantity of them eaten may prove fatal. Wild parsnip has many ill-laid at its door, although families claim that they have saved the seeds of the wild parsnip and cultivated them without roots that were used as food without any injurious effects. It would be well for the Agricultural Department to publish a bulletin containing the names and description of injurious plants, and scatter copies of it broadcast through the country. Who knows how many children die of diseases induced by eating some familiar plant?—New York Ledger.

Gum-Chewer's Tongue.
It is admitted by all sensible people that every pleasure has its attendant pain, and that for every indulgence we must pay a penalty more or less heavy.

It is a new idea, however, that the gum-chewer is in danger of a disease that unless checked may be the direct cause of a serious malady that will in a short time prove fatal. It is in addition a most painful ailment, and one which will at first prove an unsolvable problem to the inexperienced practitioner.

The symptoms are a sensation as though the tongue had been burned by a scalding drink. This is followed by red spots, and inflammation along the sides of the tongue near the root. The back of the tongue becomes irritated, and round, red, raw-looking patches appear.

It would be interesting to study these indications and learn just how widespread this disease is. Certainly those who have suffered from it are fully alive to its unpleasant possibilities, and as it seems to have escaped the notice of most medical men, or the conditions having been attributed to other causes, a thorough investigation would be of great service to humanity and of much interest to science.—New York Ledger.

Big Betsy and the Ball.
Mrs. Betsy Mullins, of Walden Ridge, Tenn., has been invited to a ball, which she wishes to attend. Betsy weighs 580 pounds, and has grown so big she cannot get through the door of her cabin, and she has remained in her house with a jug in every reach from which she dispensed moonshine whisky to her customers. She wants to attend a dance to be given by one of her customers next Wednesday, and her friends have undertaken the job of building a tramway down the mountain, and if a platform car can be made to work the end of Betsy's house will be removed, and she will be loaded on the car and sent to the "flat woods." She will be the guest of honor at the ball.—New Orleans Picayune.

Highest Peaks in North America.
For many years prior to 1890 Mount St. Elias, with its sky-piercing altitude of 19,000 feet, enjoyed the distinction of being the highest peak on the North American continent. The second highest peak was thought to be Mount Popocatepetl, the great smoky mountain of Mexico, its altitude being 17,600 feet. Within the last few years, however, a peak has been discovered in Canada, several miles northwest of Mount St. Elias, which is claimed to be several hundred feet taller than the former mountain. Also a volcano has been discovered in Mexico 600 feet taller than Mount Popocatepetl.

When you see two people together you can safely bet that one is doing the talking, and the other is trying to get away.

Newspapers are beginning to publish lists of presents suitable for men. There are no presents suitable for men. A man knows just what kind of suspenders and socks he wants, and likes to select his own.—Athenian Globe.

Inscription on Milwaukee's Bell.
Milwaukee has had a huge bell cast for the tower of the new City Hall. The local newspapers take it for granted that the following lines, inscribed upon the bell, are addressed to the politicians who will infest the building:



From the bulletin on poultry recently issued by the Department of Agriculture has already been published several selections. Below is another from the section on incubators.

It is advisable, before investing extensively in any make of incubator, to thoroughly understand the machine. If good results are obtained, then additional machines of the same kind should be purchased. Failures are recorded simply because the individual fails to thoroughly understand the machine he is trying to operate, or, in other words, fails to learn how to operate that particular machine to the best advantage. A successful poultryman must necessarily pay close attention to petty details. Not only is this necessary in caring for little chickens and mature fowls, but also in the care and management of incubators and brooders. The whole business is one of details. While incubators may vary there are certain points to which all should conform. Some of these points are summed up in the following:

1. They should be well made of well-seasoned lumber. The efforts of manufacturers to meet a popular demand for cheap machines has placed on the market incubators that are not only cheaply made, but made of cheap and not thoroughly seasoned material.

2. The incubator should be easy of operation. All its adjustments should be easily made and so arranged that the more delicate machinery is in plain view of the operator. The machine should be automatic in its operation. When supplied with the necessary heat it should control perfectly within certain limits the temperature of the egg chamber. This result is accomplished in various ways. The regulating force, whatever it may be, should be placed within the egg chamber so that the regulator may vary as the temperature in the egg chamber varies, irrespective of changes of temperature of the room in which the incubator is placed. The regulator must be sensitive.

The change of temperature, which is necessary for the complete working of the regulator ought not to be more than one degree; that is one degree above or below the desired temperature. It is better if the range of temperature can be reduced to one-half of one degree, thus making a total variation of one degree instead of two degrees. It should not be inferred that a much wider variation than this will not give excellent results under otherwise favorable conditions, but, other things being equal, those machines which are most nearly automatic are to be preferred.

In addition to the foregoing requisites a convenient appliance for turning the eggs, positive in its action, should accompany each incubator. This may be an extra tray that is to be placed bottom side up over the tray of eggs and held firmly in this position while both trays are turned, thus completely transferring the eggs from one tray to another without jar. The different machines have very different appliances for accomplishing this result.

It is now the critical season in giving the domestic animals proper attention. The horse at work usually has a fair share of care, but those not in use are too frequently neglected.

The horse at work is not always properly shod. It is often required to go at a rapid gait, or to draw heavy loads over the frozen or icy ground when the shoes are not properly sharpened. In fact, too often the poor creature is expected to do full service without shoes at all. It is out of the question in winter to expect the animal to do fair work without having front shoes at least. It is unfortunate, often that the horse does not have a man who understands his work to adjust the shoes. Setting and fitting properly is a real art which far too few avoid contracting the hoof in the least.

Great care should be exercised that the nails are driven toward the inward direction of the hoof, rather than the outward direction. The latter plan nailing often causes great suffering as well as serious permanent injury.

Feeding the horses in moderate weather demands that they should have a good variety and foods that have a cooling tendency upon the digestive apparatus are to be sought. With right management, the perishable foods in mild weather and, to some extent, in the coldest weather, can be given to the stock with great advantage to the animals themselves, as well as in the interest of furnishing a cheap ration.

The horse is considered the cheapest animal on the farm at present, and there is too much of the feeling that anything is good enough for it. They who exercise foresight must recognize that the brood mares, as well as the youngsters, should constitute as good a permanent investment as anything else in the way of live stock. If only the owner is careful to preserve strong and healthy animals, it is only a brief time until they are sure to bring satisfactory returns.

If an annual is worth feeding through the winter, it pays to feed it well. By this we do not mean that high feeding should be practiced. The creature that is in poor flesh, to start with, should have that flesh steadily increased, and the stock that is in good condition should by all means be maintained in that condition, if not slightly improved. Plenty of good sound food, and plenty of exercise in the open air, usually brings the horses through until the middle of February in good, thrifty condition. From that time on it is good policy to begin gradually hardening the leaves for spring work. It is well, at this time as a rule, to increase the ration of grain. Care must be employed continually in feeding the damaged oats, and a combination of this with dusty provender must be guarded against.

TEMPERANCE.
TAKE HENCE THE BOWL.
Take hence the bowl, though smiling
It cannot but be true
The happy drop beguiling
Too often ends in tears.
Take hence those brimming glasses,
They have no other use
Their boasted joy soon passes
To end in sorrow's sea.

Take hence the bright doer,
Which some unwisely drink,
I've known the gay enchanter
To waver heart and brain;
To scatter his bright wares
The welcome! and career,
Thou touch it, taste it, never,
'Tis safest, wisest, best.

Love not the joys and laughter
That circle round the bowl
Lest you may weep hereafter
With sick and addled soul.
And hence the bliss you covet
Mid youthful mirth and glee;
Ah! shun the bowl, nor love it,
If happy days you'd see.

THE CONNECTION BETWEEN RAILROAD ACCIDENTS AND DRINKING.
The Quarterly Journal of Inebriety says: "Recently, a great railroad corporation gathered all the facts concerning the men and the conductors of the cars which had occurred on its lines for five years. When tabulated, it appeared that forty per cent. of all accidents were due to alcohol, or in part to the influence of alcohol which was strong suspicion of similar causes, yet no clear proof. In one year over a million dollars worth of property was destroyed by the failures of beer-drinking engineers and switchmen. The company's rules requiring temperance for all positions are more and more rigidly enforced. Engineers and conductors who are unable to do good work while using spirits are in small numbers. The sobriety and presence of mind essential in any form of work is broken up by alcohol in any form."

Trainers, men exposed to the weather, risk the same condition, if they are practicing the same habits. The starting mortality of brakemen is referable in many cases to the use of alcohol to drive out the cold, or keep awake in long hours of service. Each year the loss and responsibility of railroad men is a sad and more temperate, accurate, prompt and careful in their work are required. Only absolutely temperate men can do this work for any length of time; all others fail and are dangerous to their workmates.

A Western road permitted an inebriate, who was really an able man, to continue as a claim agent adjusting accounts against the company. His drinking was supposed to be an aid in the settlement of claims with other striking men. After his death a temperate man who filled his place saved several thousand dollars a year by doing the same work, and repeating the same success that inebriates are always more or less incompetent.

It was in a cell of the Tombs where we sat—the condemned cell where you found one who had formerly been a church member waiting the hour of his execution for the murder of a woman. He was a drunkard. Who made him so? Did his friends blame him, and as the most cruel revenge they could take make him a drunkard? No, he never had an enemy of his kind. He was a good and kindhearted, a friend to every body; even the saloonist who sold him the drink loved him as much as they could love anybody. His friends who loved him made him a drunkard. His mother gave it to him when a baby. His father in kindness (?) taught him to drink a health. His sisters, and the very best of his friends, were often present and pledged the cup with him. His father's friend must drink with the son. His friends who loved him made him a drunkard. His companions, every one of whom would have risked their lives to save his, pressed him to the party, the song and the bowl. At weddings and dinners his friends pressed him to the glass. They were all laughing at him when he intimated, and invited him to drink again. Oh, he had many friends. But while he could have been a good kind of a man, he was a drunkard. He had on friends at every step until he lost his life, and died a drunkard and a murderer. Kind friends did it.—National Temperance Advocate.

MORE MEDICAL EVIDENCE.
The Lancet Memorial, signed by 911 British medical practitioners, was as follows: "We, the undersigned, who are members of the medical profession, beg to record our strong persuasion, that the facilities for obtaining spirits, wine, stout, and ale in bottles, which are provided by the grocer, liquor dealer, and other persons, are a most injurious tendency. We believe women, servants, and children of respectable households who could not or would not procure intoxicating drinks at public houses, are encouraged to purchase and use these liquors by the opportunities afforded when visiting the grocer's shop for other purposes. Female domestic servants are often enabled to obtain bottles of spirits, wine, and beer at a small cost, or credit, or commission on the household bills. We therefore protest against the continuance of the licenses."

HER TALK OF WOE HAD A GOOD EFFECT.
James Holt, near Hiramville, Ind., while intoxicated, went home last Saturday night and kicked the stove over, burning down the little one-room log shanty which sheltered his family, after first blackening his wife's eyes and otherwise disgracing her face. The next day Mrs. Holt appeared at the little church where the family occasionally worshipped, and requested permission to address the congregation, and then she followed with a pathetic talk on the evils of strong drink, making many allusions to her own bitter experiences in prison, and what she was saying. In the audience was "Bud" Robertson, the only whisky dealer in the township. After she had concluded, Mr. Robertson approached Mrs. Holt and tendered \$10 toward re-establishing her in a home, and he vowed that he would never again sell another drop. That evening he emptied the contents of his several casks on the ground, despite the pleadings of a dozen thirsty friends, to whom he refused a drink.—Indianapolis News.

WHAT A BEHEARD WILL DO.
A drunkard will sleep anywhere—on a bundle of rags thrown in the corner of an unfinished room. He will be content with any sort of food, will allow his family to go about in rags and will be reduced to such an abject state that he will work on any terms, will accept less than the market rate, will undertake the heaviest work, and supplies the cheapest labor that is to be got.

TEMPERANCE NEWS AND NOTES.
The brewer's horse is kept fat by food taken from the poor man's child, says Ram's Horn.

"That man has evidently had an eye-opener this morning." "I should say it was an eye-shutter from the looks of his battered face."

"I can leave off when I please." "Were the words that he said, and to prove it, stopped drinking. The day he was dead."

Dr. J. Rosenthal, Professor of Physiology and Hygiene in Erlangen, says: "So long as alcohol remains in the stomach, digestion is suspended. If it does not, the food remains undigested for hours."

Francis Murphy says: "If you want a drink take it alone, and don't ask some other fellow who can't resist."

Among the sources of the greatest trouble to the eyesight are the excessive use of wine, spirits or beer; the indiscriminate administration of quinine; and there is even a case on record where a diminution of vision has been traced to the wearing of an artificial wreath of flowers. Another source of failing vision may be traced to impeded circulation. The wearing of tight neckwear, such as collars which are too small or shirt-bands or neckties tightly drawn, should be avoided, as they prevent the downward column of blood returning to the heart, and dilatation and development of disease is likely to follow. The same rule holds good of constriction of other parts of the body. Another most serious source of eye-strain is constant reading in railway coaches, which is the practice of nearly all business men in going to and from their offices and shops, and the injury to the eye from this cause is incalculable. Nothing gives tired eyes greater relief than a green disk or square of sufficient size, suspended on a direct line of vision at or against a wall, on which the eyes can rest; but best of all to look upon is a green grape-plot or green trees. The drop-curtain in theatres should have scenes painted on them showing green perspective. It is a rest to the eyes, and the concentrated effort made in trying to watch the facial expression of eyes of an actor, to look upon such a picture.—The Ledger.

Dazzling Birds.
A taxidermist at Northwood, N. Y., has been making experiments as to the effect of light reflected in a bird's eye. A glass seven or eight inches in diameter has been found most serviceable. The antics of blue jays are remarkable when the light strikes them as they sit in the shadow of an evergreen tree. They jump to another branch and try to look into the light, but they have to turn away, as the light dazzles them. They then fly around the reflection, but after practice one is able to keep the light always on them, and the birds not infrequently come within the reach of a man's hand, says the Newark Call.

A ruffed grouse gave a startled look when the light strikes it. Then up it jumps, and away it goes. Hawks, too, are usually startled or annoyed so that they fly off. Woodpeckers don't seem to mind it at all.

Rabbits blink and stare at a glass for a while; then they go around a stump and sit up again, as if waiting for the light to play tag with them.

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