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HERNIA OR RUPTURE.

Hernia or Rupture cured.
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Ritter's Patent Truss.
Fitch's Supporter Truss.
Self-Adjusting Truss.
Dr. Bannings's Lace or Body Brace, for the cure of Prolapsus Uteri, Piles, Abdominal and Spinal Weaknesses.
Dr. S. S. Fitch's Silver Plated Supporter.
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Elastic Stockings, for weak and varicose veins.
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Self Injecting Syringes; also every kind of Syringes.

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ELLIOTT DAVIS.

December 24th, 1863.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF PITTSBURGH.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY,
Washington City, Aug. 5th, 1863.

WHEREAS, By satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that the FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, in the County of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania has been duly organized under and according to the requirements of the Act of Congress, entitled "an Act to provide a National Currency, secured by a pledge of United States Stocks, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," approved February 25th, 1863, and has complied with all the provisions of said Act required to be complied with before commencing the business of Banking,

NOW THEREFORE, I, Hugh McCulloch, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that the said FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, county of Allegheny and State of Pennsylvania, is authorized to commence the business of Banking under the Act aforesaid.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal of office, this 5th day of August, 1863.

(SS) HUGH McCULLOCH,
Comptroller of the Currency.

The First National Bank of Pittsburgh, Pa.,

LATE PITTSBURGH TRUST COMPANY.

Capital $400,000, with privilege to increase to $1,000,000.

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N. B.—A hack runs daily to Loretto from Cresson. sep11

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AFTER THE BATTLE.

BY BENJAMIN F. TAYLOR.

From the Chicago Journal

When a furnace is in blast, the red fountain sparkles, and plays like a mountain spring, and the rude surroundings brighten to the peak of the rough rafters with a strange beauty. When the fire is out, and the black and ragged masses of dull iron lie dead upon the ground with a dumb and stubborn resistance, who would dream that they ever leaped with life and light?

A battle and a furnace are alike. It is wonderful how dull natures brighten and grow costly in the glow of battle; how the sterling worth and wealth there are in them shine out, and the common man stands transfigured, his heart in his hand, and his foot in the realm of heroic grandeur. But, ah! when the fire is out, and the scarred earth is heaped with clay, the black mouths of the guns speechless, mighty hammers and no hands, the flags furled, the wild hurrah died away, and all the splendid action of the charge vanished from the rugged field like a last flash of sunshine, and you wander among the dull remainders, the dead embers of the intensest life and glow that swept your soul out, only yesterday, and drifted it on with the skirmish line, you begin to know what those words mean, "after the battle."

It is days since great waves of gallant life dashed against Mission Ridge and swept up and over it in surges; days since I tried to tell you how it all looked; so many days that it is even now indurating into history, and yet, I feel like taking up the story just where I left it on Wednesday night at sunset, when our flags flopped like eagles' wings, and the wild cry of triumph quivered along the mountain. Standing on the edge of the field in the moonlight, calm as "God's acre" stretches the rough valley that, but an hour before, jarred with the rush and whirl of the battle. From away beyond the ridge, indeed, three miles out to Chickamauga Station, the dropping shots from Sheridan's guns faintly punctuate the silence; but here, listen as you will, you can hear no sound but the click of ambulance wheels, slowly rolling in with their manful burdens, no sigh, no groan, nothing but the sobbing night wind. Some day I can never tell you what a warm feeling at the heart. I looked up and saw the Federal fires kindling like a new constellation upon Mission Ridge; they were as welcome as dawning day to eyes that have watched the night out. The old baleful glare from rebel camp and signal light was quenched with something thicker than water, and Chattanooga was at peace.

It is strange that a battle almost always lies between two breadths of sleep; the dreamless slumber into which men fall upon its eve; the calm repose they sink in at its end. Night fairly held its breath above the camps; the wing of silence was over them all. Then came Thursday morning bright and beautiful. You go out to the field; and you keep saying over and over, 'after the battle—after the battle.' Men prone upon their faces in death's deep abasement; here one, his head pillowed upon his folded arms; there one, his cheek pressed upon a stone, as was Jacob's at Bethel, yonder one, his fingers stiffened round his musket. Now you pass where a Butternut and a true blue have gone down together, the arm of the one flung over the other; where a young boy of fifteen lies face upward, both hands clasped over his heart. The sun has touched the frost that whitened his hair, as if he had grown old in a night, and it hangs like tears fresh fallen upon his cheeks; where a lieutenant grasps a bush, as if he died vainly feeling for a little hold upon earth and life; where a stained trail leads you to a shelter behind a rock, and there a dead captain who had crept away out of sight and fallen asleep; where rebels and true hearts lie in short windrows, as if death had begun the harvest and had wearied of the work.

And so, through the valley and up the Ridge, in every attitude, lie the unburied dead; lie just as they fell in the glow of the battle. And those faces are not as you think; hardly one distorted with any passion; almost all white and calm as Ben Adhem's dream of peace; many brightened with something like a smile; a few, strangely beautiful. Wounded ones that escaped the moonlight search have lain silently waiting for morning, without murmur or complaint; glad they are alive, not grieved they are wounded, for "did we not take the Ridge?" they say; thus did the old soldierly spirit of one flash up like an expiring candle, and go out right there on the field as he spoke; he died with the last words on his lips, and "went up higher."

I said something on taking the backward step and retracing the ground made classic by a thousand deeds of valor; it is a work beyond the narrow verge of a writer of letters, but while abandoning it to more ambitious hands, I cannot deny myself the privilege of recording two or three incidents. Col. Wiley of the 41st Ohio, fell terribly wounded at the first line of rifle-pits, and Gen. Hazen rode up with the words, "I hope you are not badly wounded." "Do you think we'll make it?" asked the Col. "I do was the reply. "That's enough," said the gallant officer, "I can stand this!" and there he lay, bleeding and content, and the tide of the battle rolled on.

A Division General turned abruptly to me in the course of a desultory conversation with "if you write anything about Wednesday's affair, as you will, don't forget Col. Miller, of the 36th Illinois—one of the most gallant little fellows that ever drew a sword." I did not need that injunction, for Col. Silas Miller rode through the storm to the summit of the ridge at the head of his regiment like a veteran, inspiring his men till the 36th was a phalanx of heroes. The Colonel used to be adjutant of types, and lead a column, now and then, in the office of the Chicago *Journal*, and true to his old love, he headed a column at Mission Ridge. Col Frank T. Sherman, of your city, who commanded Gen. Steedman's brigade displayed a cool courage and clear judgment worthy the name and fame of Illinois. In truth, all the colonels on that day were fit to be named with him of continental memory, "the old-fashioned Col.," who "galloped through the white infernal powder cloud."

Indeed, and indeed, "death loves a shining mark," and the roll of officers for whom their comrades say to-day, "dead on the field of honor," will lend a splendor to the story of Mission Ridge forever. Clothed be the 9th Ohio in mourning and glory, that lost thirteen of its seventeen officers. Sheridan's division lost, at Stone River, seventy two; at Chickamauga, ninety-six; while at Mission Ridge one hundred and twenty-two bars, single and double, leaves, silver and gold, and six spread eagles lay bloody and blent—the total loss in the two divisions of Wood and Sheridan alone being twenty-three hundred and forty-four.

They cried, in the white heat of Wednesday afternoon, "The rebels mass their batteries! They converge their fire!" and yet, taking our divisions through and through, the dreadful rain fell as evenly as if it had been shed by the clouds of heaven.

Spots all along that rough and terrible mountain route are waiting some poets breath to blossom with flowers immortal. Here by this gray rock, lay the soldier, one shoulder shattered like a piece of potter's clay, and thus urged two comrades who had halted to bear him to the rear: "Don't stop for me—I'm of no account—for God's sake push right up with the boys!" And on they went, and left him weltering in his bloody vestments. Do ye talk of your royal purple or Tyrian dyes? Besides that hero lying there, those tints grow dull as gray November. Hard by that little oak, Colonel Harker, crowding up the hill, saw two brothers, one wounded unto death, the other bending over him.

The Colonel, not seeing the fallen man, ordered the other to move on. The poor stricken fellow on the ground rallied in an instant; "yes, that's right, George; go on, go on!" George turned a piteous look upon his dying brother, grasped his musket and clambered on. And that was his last farewell; for, the summit reached, he hastened back, and there, beside the little oak, the soldier lay in that sleep, without a dream. Between the first and second ranges of rebel works, right in the flush of the charge, a captain fell, and two men came to his aid. "Don't wait here," he said: "go back to your company; one useless man is enough; don't make it three." Just then a cheer floated down the mountain as they took the rifle pit.

"Don't you hear that?" he cried, "march!" and away they went. Such incidents as these strew all the way from base to crest; happening in an instant, lost and forgotten in the whirlwind; worthy every one of them, of a medal in gold; worthy, every one of them, of a place in loyal hearts. With such a spirit inspiring rank and file—a spirit as lofty as the Alpine traveler breathed, whose burden as he went was still 'excelsior," who can wonder that Mission Ridge was carried in a November afternoon? As I think of it all, I seem to have the poet's quickened ear, and to me, standing in the valley below, from hundreds of lips now white and still, a voice flows down the Ridge's side in grand accord:

"A voice comes like a falling star.
'Excelsior!'"

The Diamond Robbery in Paris.

Notice of the recent robbery of the Duke of Brunswick has already been given. A correspondent, in referring to the matter, writes as follows:

The Duke of Brunswick, who is a cousin of Queen Victoria, was driven away from his seven-by-nines duchy in the revolution of 1848, and, in coming away, took the precaution to bring with him the crown diamonds. Since that time he has been living in Paris in the house I have mentioned, which he purchased from the bankrupt estate of Lola Montez, who occupied it when she was in the height of her Parisian glory. The Duke of Brunswick is one of the celebrities of Paris. He is now over sixty years of age, but so well "made up" and artificially preserved that at a casual glance he would not be taken for more than forty. He wears a wig made of black floss silk, and his beard is kept carefully colored of a raven hue. His face is daily covered with a composition which fills up the cracks and wrinkles. He dresses with the most scrupulous neatness, and his great delight in life is having his diamonds set and reset in new forms.

Among the Duke's collection are two uncut stones, each of which is valued at a hundred thousand francs—one a diamond of a whitish tint, weighing fifty-three carats, but the cutting of which would, it is supposed, make it lose half its value. The other is an opaque black diamond, which was the enormous weight of three hundred and forty-two carats; that is to say, almost as much as the Kohinoor, the Regent and the Sancy together. Among his collection is found every variety of form. There are squares and rounds and ovals, oblongs, octogons and irregularly pointed stones. Some are cut in the form of almonds, some in triangles, some in that of a pigeons egg. Their diversity of origin is as great as that of their shape. One ornamented a Turkish sabre; another a royal necklace; one, a black diamond, was the eye of an Indian idol. A rose brilliant, which weighs forty-one carats and is valued at $48,000 francs, was taken by the Emperor Baber at Agra, in 1526. Two others, brilliants of a finer water, but smaller size, were buttons on the vest of the Emperor Don Pedro. Another, mounted in a ring, which bears the arms of the Stuarts and the initials "M. S.," sparkled on the finger of the rival of Elizabeth; and there is also a pair of ear pendants which have ornamented another royal head, and which, like that of Marie fell beneath the axe of the executioner—the beautiful and unfortunate Marie Antoinette.

Among ninety diamonds known to exist, each weighing at least thirty-six carats, the Duke of Brunswick possesses fifteen; but in all his collection there is lacking one of those grand diamonds which ought to figure at the head of such a royal collection. He has stones of the value of 100,000, 150,000 and 175,000 francs; he has two of 300,000, one of 348,000 and finally one of 400,000 francs; but he has no single one worth a million, and it has long been his ambition to possess one of this value, and he has made offers for the purchase of two, which are valued, one at 1,100,000 francs, the other at 3,250,000 francs. The last one takes place as sixth in rank, immediately after the Regent; the other in the eighth rank, after the Orloff of Russia.

How to Read Gas Meters.

Complaints are frequently made of the extraordinary quantity of gas charged for by the different companies, and instances could be cited where many of these charges are entirely beyond reason. The process of reading the meters is simple and easily learned from the instructions; and if house-keepers would take the trouble to do this, they would be sure to guard against mistakes.

At the top of the meter is placed a small tin case, three or four inches long, which opens by means of a little door in front, which exhibits a plate with three small dials, about an inch in diameter which are furnished with one pointer apiece, moved by cog wheels and pinions on the inside, which in turn are made to revolve by a large wheel propelled by the passage of the gas. The circle of the dial is divided into ten spaces numbered around the edges, with figures like the dial of a clock.

The dial on the extreme right indicates, by means of its pointer, the burning of one hundred feet of gas, the middle one the thousand feet, and the other the burning of ten thousand feet.

For instance, the three pointers all stand at the cypher. The pointer on the right hand dial having moved from the cypher to figure 1, indicates that one hundred feet of gas has been consumed. If it move to 2, two hundred feet, and so on, until the pointer has gone around the circle and again reached the cypher, when one thousand feet has been consumed. When this point has been reached, the eye will be directed to the next dial, when it will be found that the pointer has moved to the figure 1, indicating that one thousand feet have been used.

The pointer on the first dial still moves on, marking the amount consumed. Suppose that at the end of the first month the pointer on the first dial stands at 8, and the one on the middle dial between 1 and 2, it is easy to understand that 1,800 feet have been consumed. When the pointer on the second dial reaches the cypher again, it shows that 10,000 feet have been used, and the pointer then on dial number three will stand at number 1. This in turn, with an entire revolution, indicates 100,000 feet consumed. Taking the three dials in connection, the exact amount in cubic feet may thus be ascertained, commencing anew every time 100,000 feet have run through the meter and been consumed.

Now to ascertain the exact amount of gas which will be consumed in a house during the month, inspect the dials of the meter on the first of the month. The pointer on the left hand dial perhaps stands between the figures 6 and 7, indicating 60,000 feet. The pointer on the middle dial may stand 5 and 6, indicating 5,000 feet and the right hand dial stands between 7 and 8, indicating 700 feet.

Thus you have a total of sixty-five thousand seven hundred feet of gas previously consumed. Note these figures, and at the end of every month inspect the dials. The right hand dial, perhaps, has not moved, indicating sixty thousand feet, and as before; the middle one may now stand between seven and eight, indicating seven thousand. The right hand has made a number of revolutions and now stands between one and two, indicating one hundred feet. Now we have sixty seven thousand. Subtract from this the number set down at the beginning of the month and you have one thousand four hundred feet of gas consumed. Multiply this by the price per cubic foot, and you have your gas bill for the month.

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