

A POOR EXCUSE.

The Knickerbocker furnishes the following 'Poetical Epistle,' from J. G. S., to a bachelor friend, urging him at once to enter into the conjugal state. He thinks it "the sovereignest thing in creation."

Don't tell me you 'haven't got time.' That other things claim your attention; There's not the least reason or rhyme

In the wisest excuse you can mention; Don't tell me about 'other fish,' Your duty is done when you buy 'em; And you never will relish the dish,

Unless you've a woman to 'fry 'em.' You may dream of poetical fame But the story may chance to miscarry; The best way of sending one's name

To posterity, Charles, is to marry. And here I am willing to own (After soberly thinking upon it.)

I'd very much rather be known Through a beautiful son, than a sonnet. Don't be frightened by querulous stories

By gossiping grumblers related, Who argue that marriage a bore is, Because they've known people mis-mated.

Such fellows, if they had their pleasure, Because some 'had bargains' are made, Would propose as a sensible measure,

To lay an embargo on trade! Then, Charles, bid your doubting good bye, And dismiss all fantastic alarms;

I'll be sworn you've a girl in your eye That you ought to have had in your arms; Some beautiful maiden, God bless her!

Unencumbered with pride or with pelf, Of every true charm the possessor, And given to no fault but yourself.

To procrastination be deaf! (A caution which came from above.) The second's not only 'the Thief

Of Time,' but of Beauty and Love. Then delay not a moment to win

A prize that is truly worth winning; Celibacy, Charles, is a sin, And sadly prolific of sinning.

I could give you a bushel of reasons For choosing the 'double estate'; It agrees with all climates and seasons,

Though it may be adopted too late. To one's parents 'tis gratefully due;

'T would have been, Sir, for me and for you, If I had neglected the ring.

Then there's the economy (clear By poetical algebra shown) If your wife has a 'grief' or a 'fear'

One half, by the law, is your own. And as to the 'joys,' by division

They somehow are doubled, 'tis said (Though I never could see the addition, Quite plain in the item of bread!)

Remember—I do not pretend There's anything 'perfect' about it, But in this I'll maintain to the end,

Life's very *in*-perfect without it. 'Tis not that there's poetry in it, (As doubtless there may be to those

Who know how to find and to spin it.) But I'll warrant you excellent 'prose.'

Don't search for an 'angel' a minute. For suppose you succeed in the sequel, After all, the deuce would be in it,

For the match would be highly unequal; The angels, it must be confessed, In this world are rather uncommon,

And allow me, dear Charles, to suggest, You'll be better content with a woman.

Then, Charles, be persuaded to wed; For a sensible fellow, like you, It is high time to think of a bed

And a board, and 'fixins' for two. Don't think about 'something else' first,

A poet almost 'in the sere.' A 'Major'!—and not married yet! You should do 'nothing else' for a year.

BANK NOTE LIST.

PENNSYLVANIA. The following list shows the current value of all Pennsylvania Bank Notes. The most implicit reliance may be placed upon it, as it is every week carefully compared with all corrected from Bicknell's Reporter.

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WISTAR'S

BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY, A Compound Balsamic Preparation from Wild Cherry Bark. The best remedy known to the world for the cure of coughs, colds, asthma, croup, bleeding of the lungs, whooping cough, bronchitis, influenza, shortness of breath, pain and weakness in the breast or side, liver complaint, and the first stages of CONSUMPTION.

We will not assert that this BALSAM will cure Consumption in its worst form but it has cured many after all other means of relief had been tried in vain. And why not? It seems that the WILD CHERRY was destined by Nature to be our PAIN-NAKED for the ravaging diseases of this earth. Let not the despairing invalid waste his money and lose TIME, to him so all important, in experimenting with the trashy nostrums of the day, but use at once a medicine that will cure, if a cure be possible—a medicine that science approves, and many years of experience have demonstrated that it always relieves.

There is no such thing as a free lunch in the history of this wonderful BALSAM. Evidence the most convincing—evidence that no one can doubt, fully establish the fact. For the sake of brevity we select the following from thousands. Isaac Platt, Esq., Editor of the Pikespie Eagle, one of the most influential journals in the State of New York, states under the date of his own name, that a young lady, a relative of his, of a delicate constitution, was marked in Feb. 1842 with severe cold, which immediately produced spitting of blood, cough, fever, and other dangerous and alarming symptoms. Through medical treatment and cure she partially recovered during summer, but on the return of winter she was attacked more violently than at first, she became scarcely able to walk and was troubled with cough, chills and fever every day, and appeared to be going rapidly with consumption; at this time, when there was no sign of improvement, Mr. Platt procured a bottle of WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY, which she took, and before it was half taken she was restored to perfect health, which she has enjoyed to the present time, without the slightest symptom of other former disease.

Mr. Platt says: "The cure came under my own observation and I cannot be mistaken as to the facts." EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM A POST MASTER DATED PENNSYLVANIA, Washington Co., Maine, Apr. 29, 1844. MR. ISAAC BUTTS.—Dear Sir: At the request of many of my friends in this place and vicinity who are afflicted with consumption and liver complaints, I take the liberty of asking you to visit some one in this county as agent to sell WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY, and to send him a few dozen, as there is none of it for sale within 200 miles from this. I have no doubt that it would meet with a ready sale if it were where it could be procured without too much expense and delay. My wife was attacked about six months since with what the physicians called the first stage of consumption—a complaint very prevalent in this section of country. Having seen the Balsam advertised in August.

200 MILES FROM HERE,

I took the pains to send there for a bottle of it, which she took, and which helped her so much that I sent for two bottles more, which she has also taken, and the now says she has not felt so well for six years as she does at this time. All those who have inquired of me and ascertained what effect the Balsam had, are anxious to have some for sale in this vicinity, which is the cause of my writing you. Please inform me by return of mail whether you conclude to send some, and if so to whom, in order that it may be known where it can be had.

I am with respect, &c. G. G. FARNSWORTH, P. M.

The whole country is fast learning that no medicine—no physician—no preparation of any kind will cure—can equal DR. WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY.

A TRULY WONDERFUL CURE.

WATERVILLE, Oronoco Co., N. Y., Sept. 15, 1843. Dear Sir—I owe it to the almighty to inform you that in January last I was attacked by a very violent cold, caused by working in the water, which settled on my lungs. It was accompanied by a very severe pain in my breast and sides, and also a distressing cough. I had in attendance all the first medical aid in my village; but after exhausting all their skill to no avail, they recommended my disease a constant consumption, and they one and all gave me up to die. After much persuasion I got the consent of my physician to use the BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY prepared by Dr. WISTAR. I purchased of the Agent in my place one bottle, before using half of which I began to gain strength, and it was very evident my cough was much better and my symptoms in every way improving. I have now used three bottles, and am restored to perfect health. This result is due owing to the use of DR. WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY; and I take this method of conveying you the information, partly to praise the goodness of your medicine, and partly to let others similarly afflicted may know where to apply for relief.

Very truly yours, JAMES SAGE.

Mr. PALMER, Druggist, under date of Waterville, Sept. 24th, 1843, writes:

The statement given you by Mr. James Sage is well known to me by this whole community. It is only a most remarkable cure. The sale of the Balsam is very good, and its success in curing truly flattering. Yours respectfully, D. B. PALMER.

THE MOST REMARKABLE CURE EVER RECORDED.

HARDENFIELD, N. J., April 20, 1843. On or about the 13th day of October, 1841, I was taken with a violent pain in the side near the liver, which continued for about five days, and was followed by the breaking of an ulcer, or abscess, inwards, which relieved the pain a little, but caused me to throw up a great quantity of offensive matter and also much blood. Being greatly alarmed at this, I applied to a physician, but he said he thought he could do but little for me except give me some Mercury Pills, which I refused to take, feeling convinced that they could do me no good; many of my friends were then procured by my wife and friends, but none did me any good—and the discharge of blood and corruption still continued every few days, and at last became so offensive that I could scarcely breathe. I was also seized with a violent cough, which at times caused me to raise much more blood than I had done before—and my disease continued in this way, still growing worse, until February, when all hope of recovery was given up, and my friends all thought I would die of a Gall-bladder Consumption. At this moment, when my life was apparently drawing near its close, I heard of DR. WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY, and got a bottle which I received immediately; and by the use of only three bottles of this medicine, all my pains were removed—my cough and spitting of blood and corruption entirely stopped, and in a few weeks my health was so far restored as to enable me to work at my trade, (which is a carpenter), and up to this time I have enjoyed good health.

THOMAS COZENS, GLOUCESTER COUNTY, N. J., &c. Personally came before me, the subscriber, one of

the Justice of the Peace in and for the said county, Thomas Cozens, and being duly affirmed according to law, with the above statement in all things true.

Affirmed before me, on the 20th of April, 1843, J. CLEMENT, J. P. S. Such is the unprecedented success of this BALSAM.

"NATURE'S FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION,"

a prescription composed to our wants as it is prepared from chemical extracts from substances which the author of nature has placed in our own land for the use of the people who are known as the most healthy and vigorous of any nation. Physicians of the highest standing in the profession, prescribe it to patients under their care; containing nothing deleterious, but being composed of the most mild, yet efficacious vegetable materials, it is offered with confidence, as the cheapest and most efficient purifier of the blood now known. The use of a few bottles, especially in the spring months, will be attended with a most decided improvement in the general strength of the system, eradicating any seeds of disease that may have been generated, besides giving health and vigor to the body. For the cure of Scalds or Kings Evil, Rheumatism, Tetters, Pimples or eruptions of the Skin, White Swelling, F-stria, Chronic Cough Asthma, &c. The numerous certificates in the possession of the subscriber and his agents, from physicians and others, are sufficient to convince the most skeptical of its superiority over all preparations of Sarsaparilla.

Sold wholesale and retail, by the proprietor, GEORGE W. OAKLEY, North 5th street, Reading, Berks County, and to be had of the following persons:

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FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD!

CANTRELL'S Celebrated Family Medicines WILL cure every thing, but still remain unacquired in their several departments by every hand ever offered to the public who have voluntarily come forward and offered numerous and highly respectable testimonials of their superior efficacy.

Cantrell's Compound Medicated Syrup of Sarsaparilla, or Anti-Scurvy Syrup, for the cure of Scalds, Chronic Rheumatism, Chronic Swelling of the Joints, Eruptions of the Skin, and all Diseases arising from the abuse of Mercury, &c. Unsurpassed by any other in the market, combining all the virtues resident in the Sarsaparilla with a modern ingredient, only lately brought out by the most respectable medical authorities. Price, 50 cents per bottle.

Cantrell's Anti-Dyspeptic Powder, for the relief and prevention of that most distressing complaint, Dyspepsia, in all its forms and stages. It is truly a most valuable remedy. Sold in bottles at 25 and 50 cents each.

Cantrell's Agree Mixture and Tonic, Mollifying, stands at the head of the list as revealed by all the most eminent and able physicians in our country, the length and breadth of the land, for the cure of Fever and Ague in all its stages, and from all its consequences. Residents in Fever and Ague districts should never be without it. The subscriber will furnish FIFTY DOLLARS where his medicine fails to perform a cure in the most obstinate case.

Sold Wholesale and Retail by CALEB CRESSON, at his Drug Warehouse, No. 6 North Third Street, Philadelphia; also, by the regularly appointed agents, SEYMOUR W. ROBERTS, Wholesale Druggist, No. 54 Water Street, Middle. Prepared only by the Subscriber, corner of CARPENTER and SECOND STREETS, below Christian, Philadelphia, where it is also retained.

Observe, none are genuine without the signature of JOHN A. CANTRELL.

Cantrell's Agree Mixture, or Tonic Medicament.

For the cure of all Bilious affections, if taken according to directions.

It is a never failing remedy which no family ought to be without, especially in low marshy countries.

As this medicine is put up under the proprietor's immediate inspection on the most scientific principles, being Purely Vegetable, and having the effect on thousands, for upwards of 12 years, and his knowledge when taken strictly according to directions, there has not been a failure. Under such circumstances I recommend it to the public, adding a certificate in support of my assertion.

I, John Burns, do certify that I was in the ship Tubacco Plant of Philadelphia, Capt. Reed, in June, 1827, bound to Liverpool; took the fever and ague and laid in Liverpool some time under the doctor's hands, went from there to Baltimore, lay in the Infirmary for four or five weeks—found that I was cured, and was sent home under Dr. Chase's charge. I returned to New York—went to the Hospital, remained there about four weeks without any relief—tried every thing without any benefit, for five years. Hearing of Cantrell's Agree Mixture from a friend, I went to his store, told him how I was afflicted, and got a bottle of his mixture and used it according to directions. It made a perfect cure, and I have not had the least return since. I do with confidence recommend it to the public.

JOHN BURNS.

Medicated Syrup of Sarsaparilla.

Philadelphia, April 10th, 1844.

Dear Sir—Having been afflicted for upwards of two years with ulceration of the throat, destroying the whole of the soft palate, then through the upper part of the hard palate, from which several pieces of bone came out, which partially destroyed my speech, through a kind Providence and your Medicated Syrup of Sarsaparilla, I am now restored to perfect health, and my sight, which was so much impaired, is, as strong as when a boy.

I thought it a duty I owed to you and those similarly afflicted, to make it public.

Yours, Respectfully, SAMUEL KIRK, Corner of Ninth and Coates Streets.

I, Gabriel Johnston, No. 6 Rockless Street, do certify that my wife, Jane, was afflicted for two years with Rheumatism, and at last was entirely disabled, so that she was obliged to be confined to bed, having of Cantrell's Medicated Syrup of Sarsaparilla, which completely removed all her pains and stiffness from her limbs; two more bottles made a perfect cure. She is now able to attend to her household duties as usual. GABRIEL JOHNSTON. Philadelphia, Jan. 23d, 1844.

Descriptive Pamphlets may be had of the agent (gratis) by W. FRILING, Southbury, Nov. 9, 1844.—ly Agent.

ASHBY & ROCAF,

WHOLESALE & RETAIL HAT & CAP MANUFACTURERS, South East corner of Market and 4th sts. Philadelphia.

WHERE they always keep on hand an extensive assortment of HATS & CAPS of every description, got up in the best and most approved style. Persons desirous of purchasing superior articles at the most reasonable terms, will find it to their advantage to call before making purchases elsewhere. Philadelphia, Oct. 6th, 1844.—ly

OAKLEY'S

DEPURATIVE SYRUP.

THE valuable properties of Oakley's Depurative Syrup of Sarsaparilla, as a purifier of the blood, is so well known to the public generally, that it is unnecessary to occupy much space in setting forth the advantages to be derived from its use; wherever the medicine has once been introduced, it takes precedence over all others; every benefit that has been derived, or signal benefit that it has conferred, has been derived from its use. It is recommended by the highest standing in the profession, prescribe it to patients under their care; containing nothing deleterious, but being composed of the most mild, yet efficacious vegetable materials, it is offered with confidence, as the cheapest and most efficient purifier of the blood now known. The use of a few bottles, especially in the spring months, will be attended with a most decided improvement in the general strength of the system, eradicating any seeds of disease that may have been generated, besides giving health and vigor to the body. For the cure of Scalds or Kings Evil, Rheumatism, Tetters, Pimples or eruptions of the Skin, White Swelling, F-stria, Chronic Cough Asthma, &c. The numerous certificates in the possession of the subscriber and his agents, from physicians and others, are sufficient to convince the most skeptical of its superiority over all preparations of Sarsaparilla.

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I was also under the care of two of the most distinguished physicians of this city, but without receiving much benefit, and I despaired of ever being cured. In the fall of 1836, the disease at the time being very violent, I commenced using the Rose Ointment, (prepared by Vaughan & Davis.) In a few applications the violent itching ceased, the swelling abated, the eruption began to disappear, and before I had used a jar of the disease was entirely cured. It has now been nearly a year and a half since, and there is not a vestige of the disease remaining, except the scars from the deep pits formed by the disease. It is impossible for me to describe in a certificate the severity of the disease and my suffering, but I will be pleased to give a further account to any person wanting further satisfaction, who will call on me. At the time I commenced using the Rose Ointment I would have given hundreds of dollars to be rid of the disease. Since using it, I have recommended it to several persons, (among them my mother, who had the disease badly on her face,) who were all cured by it.

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OFFER for sale an extensive assortment of above articles, all of which they sell at unusually low prices, and particularly invite the attention of buyers visiting the city, to an examination of their stock. G. W. & L. B. TAYLOR Philadelphia, May 25, 1844.—ly

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Philadelphia, office No. 8, North 8th street. June 24th, 1843. B. BRANDRETH, M. D.

CITY FURNITURE AUCTION,

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C. C. MACKEY, Auctioneer, respectfully invites the attention of persons desirous of purchasing Furniture, to his extensive Sales Rooms, (both public and private), for every description of Household Furniture, where can be obtained at all times, a large assortment of fashionable and well manufactured Cabinet Furniture, Beds, Mattresses, &c., at very reduced prices, for cash.

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