

Poetical.

THE QUESTIONER.

BY ROBERT NICOLL.

I ask not for his lineage,
I ask not for his name—
If manliness be in his heart
He noble birth may claim.
I care not of this world's wealth,
But slender be his part,
If yes you answer when I ask—
Has he a true man's heart?

I ask not from what land he came,
Nor where his youth was nursed—
If pure the stream it matters not
The spot from whence it burst.
The palace or the hovel,
Where first his life began,
I seek not of; but answer this—
Is he an honest man?

Nay blush not now—what matters it,
Where first he drew his breath?
A manger was the cradle bed
Of him of Nazareth!
Be nought, be any, everything—
I care not what you be—
If yes you answer when I ask—
Art thou pure, and true, and free!

Miscellany.

SHE'S A SEWING GIRL.

We have frequently heard the above remark, when it excited in our mind a sentiment of ineffable contempt for the worthless piece of humanity that uttered it. It is a source of deep regret to us that it should ever be our duty to deal harshly with any portion of the fair sex, who maintain a reputable standing in society; but there are some, and not a few, who, although their fame may be unspotted, are so deeply imbued with envy, jealousy and hatred toward those of their sex, who happen to be less favored of fortune, but more perfectly moulded and finished by nature than themselves, that their hearts are gall, their souls are wormwood, their breath is pestilence, whenever they can make it convenient to speak to them. These are they who, with a sarcastic leer and a scornful turn of the nose, stigmatize as "nothing but sewing girls," such females as have the moral courage and the virtue to work with their hands for an honest livelihood, rather than be dependent, destitute or disreputable.

"Did you ever see the like, how Mrs. — dresses herself and children, of late?"

"La, yes, I've seen many like her—I knew her when she was a sewing girl, and her husband when he was a poor carpenter, and worked for my father.— Now they have got a little something in the world, and they stick themselves up for mighty somebodies. It's just so almost always with such creatures. As soon as they get a start in the world, they forget the poverty they sprang from, and begin to put on airs of gentility. I can't bear them, for my part."

Reader, if you are a young man, and should hear any thing like the above sentiments uttered by a young lady, to whom you are paying your addresses, let that be your last visit. Even if you are under promise of marriage, it would be better to break off and incur the penalty of a breach of promise, than to be united for life to one so utterly devoid of that kind-hearted sympathy for those of her own sex thus virtuously struggling with adversity; and who holds it disreputable in a young lady who is without fortune or able friends, to draw for support upon her own physical faculties, in an honest and useful vocation.

We cannot conceive of any evidence more conclusive, that a young female possesses, in an eminent degree, that innate principle of virtue which would set at defiance every seductive wile of libertinism, than to see her adorned with all the native graces of her sex, heroically braving the sneers of the proud and scornful, and steadily plying her needle as a means of independence. Such an one rarely, if ever, fails to make a virtuous, affectionate and prudent wife, and a good mother.

We never designedly listen to the conversation of ladies in the streets; but we will confess that the above remarks were prompted by hearing the words which we have placed at the head of this article, contemptuously uttered by one of two ladies who filled a narrow snow path so full that we were compelled to walk slowly after them for some rods. We did not know them, but we hope they may chance to light upon this article for their own sakes. It will perhaps teach them to give their voices less volume when they utter such uncharitable sentiments on the streets.

"Don't talk to me about your gun cotton," said a gentleman, "I'll put my wife against any invention in the world for blowing people up. If the Government could get her to sit down opposite San Juan de Ulla, the Mexicans would leave instantly."

"What branch of education do you have chiefly in your school?"
"A willow branch, sir! The master has used up a whole tree!"

It has been estimated that the number of Lunatics in the U. States is over 30,000.

The winter is the best time for transplanting forest trees.

ENERGY OF CHARACTER.

Energy of character is the philosopher's stone of this life, and should be engraven upon every heart. It is that which has peopled the Temple of Fame—that which has filled the historic pages with great names, and the civil and military world—that which has brought a race from barbarism, drawn the veil from science, and developed the wondrous power of Nature. It makes men great and makes men rich. First or last it brings success. Without it, Webster would have been a New Hampshire lawyer—Thomas Ewing a buckeye salt-boiler—and Ben Franklin a journeyman printer. Without it Demosthenes would have stammered on to his grave, and Cincinnatus died a common soldier. Shakespeare would have been shot for poaching—Roscoe lived selling beer by the small—and Napoleon gone out of the world a Corsican bully. With it, each one has not only done much good for himself, much for his day and generation—but much for the world in the past, the present and the future.

Energy of character will do the same thing for any man in a small way that it has done for those. Give a lawyer energy of character, and he will succeed at the bar without talent. It is the secret by which the merchant, the artist, the scholar and the mechanic, arrive at distinction and wealth. If they fail once, they try again—no contrary wind beats them down—or if down, they will not stay down. The man who has energy of character, will rise in spite of fortune and in spite of opposition. Give a man energy, and he is a made man, put him where you will, and surround him by what you will. It is this fact that gives us confidence that the American people will rise from their present depression as soon as the blast has blown over which threw them down. In defiance of sub-treasures, suspensions, bad currency, and every other evil that malice and ignorance can fix upon them, the people of this country have energy enough to rise and prosper. He who gives up in despair, and cuts the sheets of his canvass, because he finds contrary winds in his passage, is but a poor navigator.

The Child at the Tomb.

A traveller in the East relates the following of a little girl:

"A little child
That lightly draws its breath,
And feels its life in every limb,
What should it know of death?"

At Smyrna, the burial ground of the Armenians, like that of the Moslems, is removed a short distance from the town—is sprinkled with green trees, and is a favorite resort not only with the bereaved—but with those whose feelings are not thus darkly overcast. I met there one morning a little girl, with a half playful countenance, busy blue eye and sunny locks, bearing in one hand a small cup of china, in the other a wreath of fresh flowers. Feeling a very natural curiosity to know what she could do with these bright things in a place that seemed to partake of so much sadness, I watched her light motions. Reaching a retired grave covered with a plain marble slab she emptied the seed—which it appeared the cup contained—into the slight cavity which had been scooped out in the corners of the level tablet, and laid the wreath upon its pure face.

"And why," I inquired, "my sweet girl, do you put seeds in those little bowls there?"

"It is to bring the birds here," she replied, with a half wandering look—"they will light on this tree," pointing to the cypress above, "when they have eaten the seed, and sing!"

"To whom do they sing?" I asked, "to you, or to each other?"

"O, no!" she quickly replied, "to my sister—she sleeps here."

"But your sister is dead."

"O, yes, Sir! but she hears all the birds sing."

"Well, if she does hear the birds sing, she cannot see the wreath of flowers."

"But she knows I put it there; I told her before they took her away from our house, I would come and see her every morning."

"You must," I continued, "have loved that sister very much, but you will never talk with her any more—never see her again."

"Yes, Sir," she replied, with a brightened look, "I shall see her again in heaven."

The General Appropriation Bill passed the lower House of Congress on Tuesday by a vote of 152 to 28. The Bill appropriates \$31,835,328.37 to various objects, principally to the support of the Army and Navy. An amendment offered by Mr. Winthrop, declaring that the object of the war was not "the acquisition of territory to form new States to be added to the Union, or for the dismemberment in any way of the Republic of Mexico," was voted down—yeas 76, nays 124.

The Journeyman Carpenters of York borough have published a card declaring their determination to work only on the ten hour system—from 7 to 12, and from 1 to 6.

A select committee of the Maryland Legislature has reported in favor of submitting the question of "License or no License" to the people of that State.

COUGHS & COLDS.

DR. DAVIS'S COMPOUND SYRUP OF WILD CHERRY AND TAR.

FOR the cure of Pulmonary Consumption, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Influenza, Bronchitis, Pleurisy, Difficulty of Breathing, Pain in the Breast or Side, Spitting of Blood, Croup, Nervous Tremors, Hooping Cough, &c.

Proof follows upon proof of the virtues of DR. DAVIS'S SYRUP.

Read the following New Certificate:

MILFORD, Perry Co., Pa., Oct. 1, 1846.

Messrs. Robinson, Collins & Co.—Sirs: This is to inform you that I was afflicted for 20 years with a violent pain in my breast, so much so that I could hardly lay in bed at night. Cough attended, followed by emaciation and other decided symptoms of consumption. I applied to several eminent physicians, and took a great deal of medicine without any relief whatever. I was advised to try Dr. Davis's Compound Syrup of Wild Cherry and Tar, of which I took two bottles, which entirely relieved me of my complaint; therefore I can with confidence recommend it to all who are in a like manner afflicted, as a most valuable medicine.

JOHN TOOMEY.

The authenticity of the above statement is vouched for by Mr. Isaac Murphy, a merchant of Milford, who knows Mr. Toomey, and the circumstances of his case. Mr. T. is now sixty years of age.

Price, \$1 per bottle.

Robinson, Collins, & Co., Phila'd., general agents.

For sale by THOS. READ & SON, Huntingdon; P. Shoenberger, at all his Furnaces; Royers, at all their Furnaces; Patton & Tussey, Arch Springs; B. F. Bell, Laurel Run Mills, and Spencer & Flood, Williamsburg.

Feb. 10, 1847-6m.

CABINET WARE-ROOM.

Market Street, Huntingdon, Pa.

THE subscriber would respectfully inform his friends and the public generally, that he continues to carry on the CABINET MAKING business in all its various branches at his old stand in Market street directly opposite the Post Office, where he is prepared to make or order any article in his line; such as Sideboards, Sofas, Secretaries, Bureaus, Centre, Pier, Hall, Card Dining and Work Tables, Washstands, High Field French and Low Post Bedsteads. All work done to the subscriber warranted to be of the best materials and workmanship, and at the lowest prices.

Coffins made and funerals attended, either in town or country, at the shortest notice. He keeps a splendid Hearse for the accommodation of his customers.

Persons wanting any article in his line of business, are requested to give him a call, as he intends keeping a handsome assortment constantly on hand.

THOMAS BURCHINELL.

Huntingdon, Feb. 3, 1847—4f

Sale of Valuable Real Estate.

THE subscribers offer for sale that valuable Real Estate, Two tracts of land on the Banks of the Little Juniata river, one mile below Birmingham; One tract situate in Warriorsmark township Huntingdon county, the other tract situate in Tyrone township, Blair county, the River being the line between the two tracts, and also the line between Huntingdon and Blair counties, well known as the property of Andrew Robeson, of Warriorsmark township, now deceased.

The mansion tract in Warriorsmark township, contains 200 acres of excellent limestone land, about 100 acres cleared, and in a good state of cultivation, with three dwelling houses, a stone Barn and a good apple orchard thereon.

The other tract in Blair county contains 400 acres of excellent timber land, with a house and stable the one erected; there is an Ore bank on this tract, from which about 600 tons of Iron Ore of an excellent quality has been raised. A large part of this tract is good limestone land for farming. On these two tracts are four situations for Forges or Furnaces, perhaps the best sites in the State.—There is a number of springs on the two tracts of never failing water that keep the river free from ice for more than a mile.

This last tract of land is all woodland and well covered with timber.

One third of the purchase money to be paid on hand, the residue in two annual payments, thereafter.

Any person wishing to purchase one or both tracts will please call on David Robeson in Pleasant Valley, or Jacob Van Tries in Warriorsmark.

DAVID ROBESON, JACOB VAN TRIES, Executors.

sept20-ff. Holidaysburg Register, insert the above, till for-bid, and charge Executors.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT!

BOOT & SHOE MANUFACTORY.

THE undersigned would respectfully inform the citizens of Huntingdon and vicinity, that he has commenced the manufacture of

BOOTS & SHOES,

at his New Stand, in Hill street, three doors above Gen. Wilson's office, where he will be happy to accommodate all who wish to be fitted at astonishing low prices, for CASH. Come on, then; he has a superior new stock of leather, selected with a view to the wants of all—men, women or children. He therefore respectfully solicits the patronage of his old friends and the public generally.

CHARLES S. BLACK.

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PAY UP! PAY UP!!

THE subscriber would respectfully but earnestly inform all those who are indebted to him, that he must have money, and hopes that they will come forward at once, and pay up their bills. All those who do not attend to this matter previous to the first of April next, will find their accounts placed in the hands of the proper officer for collection.

JACOB SNYDER.

Huntingdon, Feb. 17, 1847-6f

T. H. Gremer, ATTORNEY AT LAW, HUNTINGDON, PA.

JOB-WORK of all descriptions neatly executed at the Journal office.

ALEXANDRIA FOUNDRY.

I. & H. Grafius,

RESPECTFULLY inform the citizens of Huntingdon county, and the public generally, that they continue to carry on the Copper, Tin and Sheet Iron Business, in all its branches, in Alexandria, where they manufacture and constantly keep on hand every description of ware in their line, such as

NEW, SPLENDID WOOD STOVES, 22, 24, 26, 28, and 30 inches long.

Radiator Stoves, 2 sizes Coal Stoves for Parlors, new and splendid Parlor Stoves for Wood, 3 sizes Egg Stoves; also, Iron Railing, for fronts of houses; Cast Grates, for cellar windows; Self-Sharpening Ploughs, right and left-handed; new 'Bull' Plough with cast and iron shear, and the 'Livingston' Plough; Double Shovel Ploughs, for corn and seeding in fall grain; Copper Pumps, for Wells any depth, with Tin inside and out; Forge Hammers, from 5 to 16 cwt.

New Cooking Stoves, of all kinds; also, 4 sizes of Coal Stoves, also Stove-pipe and Stoves finished.

All kinds of castings done for Forges, Saw-mills and Threshing-machines, Wagon Boxes, Mill Gudgeons, and Hollow Ware, all of which is done in a workmanlike manner. Also,

Copper, Dye, Wash, Fuller, Preserving, and Tea Kettles, for sale, wholesale and retail.

Persons favoring this establishment with their custom may depend on having their orders executed with fidelity and despatch.

Old metal, copper, brass and pewter taken in exchange. Also, wheat, rye, corn and oats taken at market price.

"QUEEN OF THE WEST" Cooking Stove.

For sale by I. & H. GRAFIUS, Alexandria, Huntingdon county, Pa., cheap for cash or country produce, at market price.

THE 'Queen of the West' is an improvement on Hathaway's celebrated Hot Air Stove. There has never yet appeared any plan of a Cooking Stove that possesses the advantages that this one has. A much less quantity of fuel is required for any amount of cooking or baking by this stove than by any other.

Persons are requested to call and see before they purchase elsewhere.

To Purchasers—Guarantee.

The undersigned, agent of the patentee of the Stove, 'The Queen of the West,' understanding that the owners, or those concerned for them, of other and different patent Cooking Stoves, have threatened to bring suit against all who purchase and use any of 'Guile's' Patent Cooking Stove—'The Queen of the West'—this is to inform all and every person who shall purchase and use said Stove that he will indemnify them from all costs or damage from any and all suits, brought by other patentees, or their agents, for any infringement of their patents.

He gives this notice so that persons need not be under any fear because they have, while consulting their own interests and convenience, secured the superior advantages of this 'Queen,' not only of the West, but of the East.

ISRAEL GRAFIUS.

Dissolution of Partnership.

THE subscribers, doing business under the firm of I. Grafius and Son, in Alexandria, Huntingdon county, dissolved partnership by mutual consent on the 30 day of April last. All persons having accounts with said firm will settle the same with I. Grafius, up to the above date.

I. GRAFIUS & SON.

Alexandria, May 20, 1846-ly

GREAT BARGAINS!

NEW GOODS CHEAPER THAN EVER!!

DR. WILLIAM SWOOPE

HAS just received, and now offers to the public, at his old stand in Main street, directly opposite the residence of Mrs. Allison, as large a stock of

FALL AND WINTER GOODS

as has ever been offered to the public in this place, and at cheaper prices than any other store in the county.

His assortment is complete—having almost every article in the line of business, among which are

Cheap Cloths, Cassinets, Flannels, Blankets, Coatings, Cloakings, Cashmeres, &c. &c., at prices that cannot fail to please.

The attention of the ladies is particularly invited to a large and beautiful selection of

Fancy Goods, which have been purchased with an eye single to their taste. Call and examine, and judge for yourselves, and if we cannot please, we will be pleased to see you.

Also—A general assortment of Groceries, Queensware, Hardware, Boots and Shoes, Hats, Caps, &c. &c.

The highest price paid for Country Produce.

Dr. S. would most respectfully tender his thanks to his former customers, and hopes by prompt attention to business, and by selling a LITTLE CHEAPER than others, to secure an increase of public patronage.

(Huntingdon, Nov. 4-4f

ENCOURAGE HOME LABOR!

ADAMS & BOAT'S CARRIAGE AND WAGON MANUFACTORY.

Opposite the Presbyterian Church, Huntingdon. The subscribers respectfully inform the public, that they are at all times prepared to execute any orders in their line of business, at the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms.

Carriages, Buggies, Wagons, Sleighs, Dearborns, and Carts, made to order, of the best materials, and at reasonable prices.

Repairing of all kinds of vehicles, done on the shortest notice.

Those wanting neat, cheap and durable articles in our line of business, are respectfully requested to give us a call.

dec30/46-ly. ADAMS & BOAT.

Kewtown Money taken at Par!

THE subscriber has on hand Threshing Machines, which he warrants to be good, and offers them for sale very cheap. He will also repair Threshing Machines, and furnish castings at his shop in Allegheny street, opposite the stable of the Pioneer Line of Boats, Huntingdon, on the shortest notice, and most reasonable terms. He would also remind his friends and the public generally, that he still carries on the coach and wagon making business in all its branches.

EDMUND HAWKINS.

August 16, 1846—4f

M'ALLISTER'S ALL-HEALING OINTMENT.



Insensible Perspiration.

THE preceding figure is given to represent the insensible perspiration.—It is the great Evacuation for the impurities of the body. It will be noticed that a thick cloudy mist issues from all parts of the surface, which indicates that the perspiration flows uninterruptedly when in health, but ceases when we are sick. Life cannot be sustained without it. It is thrown off from the blood and other juices of the body, and disposes by this means of nearly all the impurities within us. The language of scripture, "in the blood is the life."

If it ever becomes impure it may be traced directly to the stoppage of the "insensible perspiration." Thus we see all that is necessary when the blood is stagnant or infected, is to open the pores and it relieves itself from all impurity instantly. Its own heat and vitality are sufficient, without one particle of medicine, except to open the pores upon the surface. Thus we see the folly of taking so much internal remedies.—

All practitioners, however, direct their efforts to restore the insensible perspiration. The Thompsonian, for instance, steams; the Hydropathist shrouds in wet blankets; the Homoeopathist deals out infinitesimals; the Ailopathist bleeds and doses us with mercury, and the blustering Quack gorges us with pills.

I have had physicians, learned in the profession, I have had ministers of the Gospel, Judges of the Bench, Aldermen and Lawyers, gentlemen of the highest erudition, and multitudes of the poor, use it in every variety of way, and there has been but one voice—one united, universal voice—saying, "M'Allister your Ointment is good."

CONSUMPTION.—It can hardly be credited that a salve can have any effect upon the lungs, seated as they are within the system. But if placed upon the chest, it penetrates directly to the lungs, separates the poisonous particles that are consuming them, and expels them from the system. I need not say that it is curing persons of Consumption continually, although we are told that it is foolishness. I care not what is said, so long as I can cure several thousand persons annually.

HEADACHE.—The salve has cured persons of the Headache of 12 year's standing, and who had it regularly every week, so that vomiting often took place.

Deafness and Ear ache are helped with like success.

COLD FEET.—Consumption, Liver Complaint, pains in the Side or Chest, falling off the hair, one or the other, always accompanies cold feet. It is a sure sign of disease in the system to have cold feet.

The Salve will cure every case in Scrofula, Erysipelas, Salt Rheum, Liver Complaint, Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Broken or Sore Breast, Piles, Chest Diseases, such as Asthma, Oppression, Pains, also Sore Lips, Chapped Hands, Tumors, Cutaneous Eruptions, Nervous Diseases, and of the Spine there is no medicine known probably so good.

BURNS.—It is the best thing in the world for Burns, (Read the directions around the box.)

Pimples on the face, Masculine Skin, Gross Surface.—When there is grossness or dull repulsive surface, it begins to soften until the skin becomes as smooth and delicate as a child's.

WORMS.—If parents knew how fatal most medicines were to children taken inwardly, they would be slow to resort to them. Especially 'mercurial lozenges,' called 'medicated lozenges,' 'vermifuges,' 'pills,' &c. The truth is, no one can tell, invariably, when worms are present. Now let me say to parents, that this salve will always tell if a child has worms. It will drive every vestige of them away. (Read the directions around the box.) There is probably no medicine on the face of the earth at once so sure and so safe in the expulsion of worms.

OLD SORES.—That some sores are an outlet to the impurities of the system, is because they cannot pass off through the natural channels of the Insensible Perspiration. If such sores are healed up, the impurities must have some other outlet, or it will endanger life. This salve will always provide for such emergency.

RHEUMATISM.—Almost every case cured with this ointment.

FEVERS.—In all cases of fever, the difficulty lies in the pores being locked up so that the heat and perspiration cannot pass off. If the least moisture could be started, the crisis has passed and the danger is over. The all-healing oint-

ment will in all cases of fevers almost instantly unlock the skin and brings forth the perspiration.

We have cured cases of Scald Head that defied every thing known, as well as the ability of fifteen or twenty doctors.— One man told us he had spent \$500 on his children without any benefit, when a few boxes of the ointment cured them.

CORNS.—Occasional use of the ointment will always keep corns from growing. People need never be troubled with them if they will use it.

As a family medicine, no man can measure its value.

JAMES M'ALLISTER & Co., Sole proprietor of the above Medicine. Price 25 cts. per box.

CAUTION.—As the All-Healing Ointment has been greatly counterfeited, we have given this caution to the public that 'no ointment will be genuine unless the name of James M'Allister or James M'Allister & Co. are written with a pen upon every label.'

AGENT—JAMES SEXTON, Jr., Huntingdon, July 29-46.

WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY.

OF WILD CHERRY GREAT REMEDY

Diseases of the Lungs, &c.

MORE EVIDENCE OF ITS SURPASSING HEALTH RESTORATIVE VIRTUES!

SPRINGFIELD, Ky., May 14, 1845.

Messrs. Sanford & Park—Gents:—I take this opportunity of informing you of a most remarkable cure performed upon me by the use of Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.

In the year of 1840, I was taken with an inflammation of the bowels, which I labored under for six weeks, when I gradually recovered. In the fall of 1841, I was attacked with a severe cold, which seated on my lungs; and for the space of three years I was confined to my bed. I tried all kinds of medicines, and every variety of medical aid, without benefit; and thus I wearied along until the winter of 1844, when I heard of "Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry."

My friends persuaded me to give it a trial, though I had given up all hopes of recovery, and had prepared myself for the change of another world. Through their solicitations I was induced to make use of the genuine Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry. The effect was truly astonishing. After five years' affliction, pain and suffering, and after having spent four or five hundred dollars to no purpose, and the best and most respectable physicians had proved unavailing, I was soon restored to entire health by the blessing of God and the use of Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.

I am now enjoying good health, and such is my altered appearance that I am no longer known when I meet my old acquaintances.

I have gained rapidly in weight, and my flesh is firm and solid. I can now eat as much as any person, and my food seems to agree with me. I have eaten more during the last six months than I had eaten in five years before.

Considering my cure almost a miracle, I deem it necessary for the good of the afflicted, and a duty I owe to the proprietors and my fellow men (who should know where relief may be had) to make the statement public.

May the blessings of God rest upon the proprietors of so valuable a medicine as Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.

Yours respectfully,

WM. H. BAKER.

All orders for Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry should be addressed to Sanford & Park, corner of Fourth and Walnut streets, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Price \$1 per bottle.

AGENTS—Read & Son, Huntingdon; Gemmill & Porter, Alexandria; Spencer & Flood, Williamsburg; Mrs. Mary Orr, Hollidaysburg.

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CONSUMPTION CURABLE!

Thompson's Compound Syrup of Tar and Wood Naphtha.

INFLAMMATION of the mucous membrane of the throat, or of the lungs, is caused by cold or other causes; hence Chronic Cough, Spitting of Blood, Bronchitis, Asthma, resulting in Consumption, Gastritis, diseased Liver and Kidneys, Palpitation of the Heart, &c. From incontestable evidence, it is proved that Thompson's Compound Syrup of Tar and Wood Naphtha is a specific in these complaints—alleviating irritation, promoting healthy secretions, and removing the existing cause of disease. Thousands have used it, and can bear testimony to its efficacy.