

BEYOND DESCRIPTION

The Misery Before Taking AND The Happiness After Taking HOOD'S.



"Dear Sirs—I have been in poor health for 20 or 25 years, and have been taking doctors' medicines more or less all the time. I did not get much relief. My blood was in a bad shape and my system was all run down. I thought I must die, but noticing several testimonials in the papers in behalf of Hood's Sarsaparilla I bought three bottles and found that it did me so much good that I continued taking it. I was without appetite, sleepfully sleep, and had a headache most all the time. In fact I cannot describe my feelings. After using one bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla I found it was doing me

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures much good and now I cannot praise the medicine too much for what it has done for me. I am a disabled soldier 69 years old and was afflicted with many ailments, including kidney, bronchitis and catarrh. Since using 6 bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla I am like another man. In fact I think Hood's Sarsaparilla saved my life." R. H. Hislop, Box 90, Hammondsport, N. Y.

Hood's Pills are prompt and efficient, yet easy on the stomach. Sold by all druggists, 25 cents.

All Snakes Do Not Hiss.

The popular idea that all snakes hiss is in question, if we may believe a close observer of the serpent family. The sound they make is more like a growl than a hiss and has been well described by a recent traveler as a "low, roaring noise." Their powers of deglutition are sufficiently wonderful to make exaggeration unnecessary, credible witnesses testifying to the fact that one has been known to swallow a horse, while bullocks are not infrequently attacked also. Few non-scientific readers, by the way, are aware that not only do the jaw hinges of the boa tribe become dislocated in the act of swallowing a large animal, subsequently resuming their proper position by means of the elastic connecting tendons, but that the skull bones separate centrally, so that the whole constitutes a sort of quadrangular orifice with apparently indefinite powers of expansion.—Detroit Free Press.

The Dancing Needles.

In the show window of an optician's shop on Tremont street, Boston, is a line of compasses which perform gyrations marvelous to the lay mind, and which incidentally afford an attractive and mysterious advertisement for the proprietor. They are to all appearances not connected with any source of motion, and yet the needles move all the time from right to left, and sometimes swing quite around the circle of their little boxes. The reason is that the return current from the trolley lines on Tremont street exerts an attraction on the compass needles and causes the mysterious motions.—Chicago Times.

Now Very Delightful.

"What charming weather, we all say in the opening days of the early spring; then of go the wraps and up go the windows to let the balmy air come in—with it comes in numerous things that ought to be kept out. We feel sore from stiffened limbs, and many go tottering around with lame backs. Mr. Harry Williams, Greenville, Cal., under oath writes on this subject as follows: 'A lady suffered so severely with pains in the back for two days that she could not sit up. One application of St. Jacobs Oil gave the sufferer a good night's rest, and in the morning she was well.'" That was charming.

WESTERN UNION telegraph profits reach 300 per cent. a year, it is claimed.

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

The first French railroad line was opened in 1828.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflammation of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflammation of the mucous surface. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

J. C. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 7c.

The Skill and Knowledge

Essential to the production of the most perfect and popular laxative remedy known have enabled the California Fig Syrup Co. to achieve a great success in the reputation of its remedy Syrup of Figs, as it is conceded to be the universal laxative. For sale by all druggists.

\$42.50 for a Farm Wagon.

The best wagon in the world can be had for \$42.50, a barrel cart for \$3.50. If you will CUT THIS OUT AND SEND IT with 5c to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., you will receive their mammoth catalogue, where you can read about this wagon.

The Best Men Wanted.

"Yes, sir, we want some good men, men of first-class character and ability to represent us. Among our representatives are many of the noblest and best men in America, and parties of that stamp can always find a splendid business opportunity at our establishment." This is the way Mr. F. Johnson, of the F. B. E. Johnson & Co., Richmond, Va., stated the case in reference to their advertisement in this paper.

Tested by Time.

For Bronchial Affections, Coughs, etc., "Bronn's Bronchial Troches" have proved their efficacy by a test of many years. Price 25 cents.

A Beautiful Souvenir Spoon.

Will be sent with every bottle of Dr. Hossie's Catarrh Cure. Ordered by mail, post-paid, 50 cts. Address, Hossie, Buffalo, N. Y.

Shiloh's Cure

Is sold on a guarantee. It cures Incipient Consumption; It is the Best Cough Cure; 25c., 50c., \$1. Afflicted with sore eyes use Dr. Isaac Thompson's Eye-water. Druggists sell at 25c per bottle.

A Gigantic Wheel and Tower.

A gigantic wheel after the model of the Ferris wheel at the Chicago Fair is to be set up near London. Plans have been drawn and contracts for the work of building given out. It will be 300 feet high, have forty passenger cars attached to its circumference, and the tower supporting it will have eight platforms, fitted with restaurants and dancing floors. The big tower at Wembley Park, near London, designed to rival the Eiffel tower, is completed to the first platform, which forms the base of the real shaft.—Chicago Times.



GOOD AND BAD COWS.

The difference allowed in the worth of a good cow in comparison to a poor one is generally less than the figures will show. One-half pound of butter per day for 300 days at twenty-two cents per pound amounts to \$33. Allowing one-half of this for extra food on account of greater digestion still leaves \$16.50, which in eight years, about the average time animals are kept for dairy purposes, amounts to \$132.—New York Tribune.

OILING HARNESS.

Unbuckle every strap and wash carefully with water, castile soap and sponge or cloth. Then dry for five or ten minutes. Then oil, rubbing every part of the harness, except the patent leather, with a cloth well soaked in neatfoot oil, or pour out two or three quarts of oil into a pan and draw each piece through it, slowly bending and rubbing the strap. The buckle holes should have a little extra oil, also the bellybands, breeching and the straps that buckle to the bits. To give the leather a new look, add to one pint of oil a large teaspoonful of lampblack and an ounce or two of beeswax.—New York Observer.

SHARPENING A CAST IRON PLOW POINT.

Many farmers are not aware that when a cast iron plow point has become very dull, or even thrown aside as worthless, its usefulness can be prolonged, for the plowing of one or two more acres in common soil. Remove the point from the plow, and if there is no stone as large as a man's head, drive an iron wedge partly into a log, or post, or even use an ax, or other piece of iron, the object being to obtain a solid surface to strike against. Take the point, bottom up in the left hand, resting it upon the stone, or iron near the point, then with a hammer strike a quick, angling downward blow, just chipping off the point. These blows will not break the iron at right angles, but chip it off, sometimes in pieces the size of a quarter of a dollar. Extend this chipping process all along the cutting surface underneath the mold board. Practice on an old point, as it requires considerable skill to properly strike even such an inanimate thing as a plow point. Chip the points before they are too badly worn. American Agriculturist.

FRIENDS OF THE FARMER.

It is sometimes difficult for farmers to distinguish friends from enemies among the birds which make their home among us. A late writer in the Albany Cultivator speaks in defence of the red-tailed hawk, more commonly known as "hen hawk" from its propensity for stealing chickens. The writer says that the chief food of this hawk is mice, snakes, meles and striped gophers, or chipmunks, and that it is too slow and clumsy to catch chickens or other fowl. It seems to us that it requires quite as much alertness to catch mice or chipmunks as to catch chickens. We have had considerable experience with this depredation in the poultry yard, and losing a chicken each morning until the hawk was shot did not look as if the thief was very clumsy. It is true that sometimes the mother hen will drive away the hawk, for it is a cowardly thief; but it will return after a hour or so and seize a chicken that has strayed too far from its protector. If the hen hawk destroys snakes it is so far an enemy of man, as these destroy large numbers of injurious small bugs, mice and other vermin.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

For fattening fowls cooked food is better than raw. Overstimulation will result in enfeebled offspring. Milk in all its forms is most valuable as food for poultry. See that your breeders are healthy, vigorous and of good size. With the aid of the dust bath the hens will rid themselves of lice. The Black Minorca lays the largest egg of any of the Spanish family. The choicest capons are the result of a Dorking cock and an Asiatic hen. For health feed oats, for fat corn, and for eggs meat scraps and wheat. Every farmer should make a point of attending the nearest poultry show. It is attention to the little details that makes success of poultry keeping. Chickens require warmth and sunshine and will not bear overcrowding. The average customer wants about an ounce of salt to a pound of butter. Big horns and a fleshy udder are regarded as bad points in a milk cow. No medicine or stimulants are necessary for healthy birds in good condition. The hen that lays well is one that is moving around and scratching all the time. The most important matter in raising the chicks is to give them warmth enough. This is the season when eggs pay, and every effort should be made to secure them. There is no better fertilizer for the garden than the manure from the poultry house. Do not ring a hog if you can possibly help it. It interferes with the thrift of the animal. I. B. Terry says that a ton of home-made manure is worth about as much as \$3 worth of commercial fertilizer. The first matter of importance in starting a dairy is to have good cows. No matter how good the care a beef cow will not make a profitable butter cow. The incubator of the present day is perhaps a thing in its infancy, but, to say the very least, it has many points of superiority over the average old hen as a reliable sitter. The Massachusetts Agricultural Society has taken effective measures for the destruction of the gypsy moth. A number of men is appointed and each man is asked to take charge of a district about a mile square. Moth clusters and nests are collected and burned when found. The disease of poultry known as "gapes" is caused by a small round worm. Birds often become infected by swallowing earth worms which contain eggs or embryos of the gape worm. The bodies, or at least the entrails of fowls, dying from this disease should be buried, thus preventing its further spread. A writer in the American Bee Journal says that a little strychnine mixed with a couple of eggs, placed in an egg-shell, and put where skunks meander around, is the nearest, quickest and most efficient way to get rid of their "spots" of the farmer and horticulturist. No expense, and so offensive smells.

set a horse barn in a hollow or deep valley.

It will be just about impossible to keep dry under such circumstances.

The stable should have a high stud, the lower story being nine or ten feet in height. This will give a good air space for the animals to breathe in. A central shaft or ventilator should run from the ceiling out through the loft, terminating two or three feet above the roof. This will let off hot, fetid air in summer. In winter of course it must be kept closed a large part of the time. This matter of ventilation is little thought of by farmers and the general run of horsemen, yet it is of the highest and most vital importance. Bad air saturated with ammonia and other excretions from animal bodies is exceedingly irritating to the eyes of horses and no doubt many cases of blindness are directly traceable to the influence of these deleterious gases. Foul air inhaled into the lungs is highly calculated to inflame and irritate the delicate and tender structures of the windpipe, bronchial tubes and the air cells. Hence we would naturally expect, and do find by experience, that horses subjected to such evil influence are troubled with coughs, colds, pneumonia and even farcy and glanders; horses affected with the last two diseases being notoriously badly stabled, poorly fed, and often abused. However, even if good ventilation be provided, the foul vapors given off from dung and urine, if not attended to, will still render the atmosphere impure. Therefore, the necessity of much bedding and absorbent materials. Dry earth, plaster and charcoal have a remarkable propensity for taking in and fixing ammonia. Every stable should keep a supply ever on hand and two or three times a day sprinkle a few handfuls behind each horse. This is not simply a matter of health to the horse, but a means of saving the best of manure for farm crops, a great inducement in itself. These absorbents, coupled with the use of straw for bedding, serve in no small degree to keep the stable sweet and clean and wholesome. Another feature of the stable is to have it light and cheery. How many dark, sepulchral apartments afford shelter for horses! Such an environment cannot fail to depress the spirits and lessen life and usefulness of an animal that is naturally gay and joyful. Then the horse is injured by leaving such holes and coming suddenly under the full glare and brilliancy of a summer or winter sun. Here we find another frequent source of eye diseases.—Farm, Field and Fireside.

Economy requires that in all receipts calling for baking powder, Royal Baking Powder shall be used. It will go further and make the food lighter, sweeter, of finer flavor and more wholesome. ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., 106 WALL ST., NEW-YORK.

Riding a Bronco.

"It's all bosh, this talk about cowboys learning to enjoy the sport of riding a bucking horse," said a reformed cowboy. "Riding a bucking horse is like having boils—you never get thoroughly used to it. When you hear a fellow say he would like to ride a bucking horse he is either a liar or a greenhorn. The first day I ever went out with a herd of cattle I was dumped nine times because of the presence of a burr in my saddle-blanket. I have seen but one man that had grit enough to sit on a real bucking horse until it had bucked all it wanted to, and he was bleeding at the nose, mouth and ears when they took him off the horse at the end of a half-hour's struggle. As a general thing a cowboy will pull a horse's head up, wind the reins around the saddle-horn, take a firm grip on the saddle with his hands and then rowl the bucker until the animal becomes convinced that it is better to behave than to buck."—Phoenix (Arizona) Gazette.

A Tennessee Patriarch.

The Rev. Asa Routh, now residing at Piney Flats, Tenn., has a record unequalled, perhaps, in the whole country. He is seventy-five years old, has been married three times, and is the father of twenty-nine children, eighteen girls and eleven boys. He also has seventy-two grandchildren, twenty-five great-grandchildren, and fifteen great-great-grandchildren. Five of his children now live at home. He has preached at every town in East Tennessee and Southeastern Kentucky. He has baptized 900 converts, married 800 couples and officiated at 400 funerals. He is still in active ministerial service, is able to ride long distances on horseback, and three weeks ago, in a revival meeting at Rogersville, Tenn., led thirty souls to Christ. He is well preserved and very zealous. His name is a household word in this section, and his presence is required at all solemn exercises.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Duke of Pife, the son-in-law of the Prince of Wales, though he started life with a fortune, has steadily added to it. Stock in a London concern which he purchased some years ago at \$150 a share is now quoted at \$45,000 a share.

Great expectations are entertained of the probable discovery of rich gold deposits in Australia, and prospectors, investors and schemers are flocking to that part of the world; thousands are going to Western Australia.

BEECHAM'S PILLS (Vegetable) What They Are For. Biliousness, indigestion, sick headache, bilious headache, indigestion, bad taste in the mouth, foul breath, loss of appetite, depression of spirits, depression of spirits. One of the most important things for everybody to learn is that constipation causes more than half the sickness in the world; and it can all be prevented. Go by the book. Write to B. F. Allen Company, 365 Canal Street, New York, for the little book on CONSTIPATION (its causes, consequences and correction); sent free. If you are not within reach of a druggist, the pills will be sent by mail, 25 cents.

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The lady whose portrait heads this article is Mrs. Mary F. Covell, of Scotland, Kennebec Co., Me. She writes to Dr. A. Guthrie, Chief Consulting Physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., as follows: "I was sick two years with a falling of the womb, and hemorrhages previous to taking your medicine. I took six bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and was entirely cured of both in six months; it is four years this month, since I was entirely well of both those diseases and have never had any signs of their appearance since and I am satisfied the 'Favorite Prescription' saved my life, for I could hardly walk around when I commenced taking that medicine and I think it is a God's blessing to me that I took it."

A. Guthrie, of Oakley, Overton Co., Tenn., writes: "I never can thank you enough for what your medicine has done for me. I am stronger now than I have been for six years. When I began your treatment I was not able to do anything. I could not stand on my feet long enough to wash my dishes without suffering almost death; now I do all my household work, washing, cooking, sewing and everything for my family of eight. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the best medicine to take before confinement that can be found; or at least it proved so with me. I never suffered so little with any of my children as I did with my last and she is the healthiest we have. I recommend your medicine to all of my neighbors, and especially 'Favorite Prescription' to all women who are suffering. Have induced several to try it, and it has proved good for them." Yours truly, Dora A. Guthrie.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a positive cure for the most complicated and obstinate leucorrhoea, excessive flowing, painful menstruation, unusual suppressions and irregularities, prostrations, or falling of the womb, weak back, female weakness, anaemia, nervousness, bearing-down sensations, chronic congestion, inflammation and ulceration of the womb, inflammation, pain and tenderness of the ovaries, accompanied with a general debility. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a scientific medicine, carefully compounded by an experienced and skillful physician, and adapted to woman's delicate organization. It is purely vegetable in its composition and perfectly harmless in its effects. In my consideration of the system. For morning sickness of nausea, due to pregnancy, weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia and kindred symptoms, the pills will prove a relief. For Women and for Children. (See circulars.) Giving successful course of home treatment, can be had under the supervision of a physician, or sent in one cent stamps, to pay postage to the doctor, at his address, as given at the bottom of the wrapper.

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Scott's Emulsion of cod-liver oil presents a perfect food—palatable, easy of assimilation, and an appetizer; these are everything to those who are losing flesh and strength. The combination of pure cod-liver oil, the greatest of all fat producing foods, with Hypophosphites, provides a remarkable agent for Quick Flesh Building in all ailments that are associated with loss of flesh.

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