

What Doctors Think of Wearing Rubbers.

Here's the first law of health—Keep your feet dry. We all know it. We all know that pneumonia and consumption always start with a cold, and that the shortest cut to a cold is a pair of wet feet. But it's so important a matter that we can't be reminded too often, especially when the reminder carries the weight of authority.

Dr. Wendell C. Phillips, one of the most distinguished physicians in New York, was recently giving a lecture on "Colds, and How to Prevent Them." It was a rainy night, and he began:

"How many persons here wore rubbers to-night? Hands up."
"Not half of you. Now, that is what I thought. Every one of you should have rubbers on a night like this. To go without them is to invite colds, bronchial trouble, catarrh and pneumonia. It is astonishing how people neglect their feet. Rubbers are fifty cents. You can save a lot of money on the investment—perhaps a ten days' doctor bill, to say nothing of medicine."

The doctor might have made it still stronger and said that a fifty-cent pair of rubbers would not only save doctor bills and medicine bills, but often life itself. Don't try to save on rubbers; it's the most expensive economy in the world, especially just now when everybody is getting the grip.

The Vervain Plant.

The plant known as vervain, which is not distinguished for its beauty, and which grows now-a-days utterly disregarded, was so sacred to the Druids that they only gathered it for their divinations when the great dog-star arose, in order that neither sun nor moon should see the deed.

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Waits on appetite, or it should do so, but this can be only when the stomach is in a healthy condition. Hood's Sarsaparilla softens and strengthens the stomach that it digests food easily and naturally and then all dyspeptic troubles vanish.

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Let It Pass.

A photograph of the czarina nursing her baby recently appeared in an English newspaper, and when it reached the Russian censor the latter was a much puzzled official. He consulted with the minister of the interior, who was equally perplexed and decided to "consult with the czar." "The best thing I can do," said the Russian emperor, "is to show this to the czarina and let her decide." In a few minutes, according to the story, the czar returned and said, with a smile, to the minister of the interior: "Her imperial majesty finds nothing in the picture contrary to law. Let it pass."

Perfectly Wonderful.

Hattie—"Then we went to Scotland. It's perfectly wonderful the way they talk the dialect." Uncle George—"Why, wonderful?" Hattie—"I should think they'd forget now and then and drop into English. I often do when I'm reciting Burns or playing golf."—Boston Transcript.

PERIODS OF PAIN.

Menstruation, the balance wheel of woman's life, is also the cause of existence to many because it means a time of great suffering.

While no woman is entirely free from periodical pain, it does not seem to have been nature's plan that women otherwise healthy should suffer so severely.

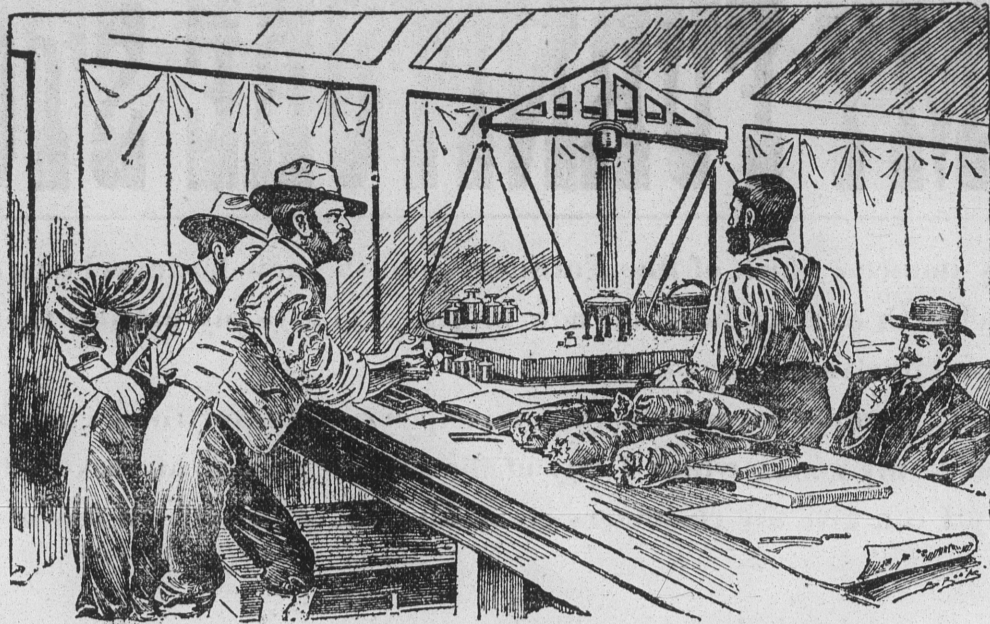
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ALL DRUGGISTS

A SKETCH IN THE BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA, DAWSON CITY.



The above sketch represents the office of the Bank of British North America, the pioneer bank in the Klondike. It is an interesting fact that until suitable premises could be secured the manager of this bank actually commenced business on the 19th of May last in a tent. The sketch is an excellent representation of the primitive methods of the first banking facilities afforded in Dawson City. The gentleman standing near the scales is Mr. D. Dolg, the sub-manager; Mr. E. O. Finlaison, the accountant, being seated beside him.

THE EMPIRE OF CHINA.

WHERE INTERNATIONAL INTERESTS MAY CLASH.

The Native Is Absurdly Simple—A Journey Through the Country is as the Passage of a Critic Through a Fairy Tale.

To travel through China, even as China is today, is as the passing of a critic through a fairy tale. There are uses for the pruning knife, but the subtle delicacy of the local spirit impregnates the mind in such a way as to render excision impossible. There is infinite wealth of color in the gorgeous background, and infinite disappointment. The people in the phantasms which the idea of China has conjured to the mind have been endowed with such vitality that comparison establishes an impossible travesty. The Chinese are hopeless, but their signal state originates a genuine fascination. They meander across scenes that are replete with personal interest, and they show no comprehension. They do not care, they do not think. The Chinaman is content when he exists. He is indifferent to Americans and Europeans because he finds no use for them, save where they are disturbing factors in his life, and then he hates them. His cupidity is only the cunning of a mind that never exerts itself unless to suit a purpose of its own. It is customary to consider the character of a Chinaman complex, whereas it is absurdly simple. He mistrusts where he does not understand, and he dissimulates because the sentiment of the one is the initiative of the other.

The Chinaman in China has little resemblance to the cross-breeds that are found in America, Australia, New Zealand, or anywhere. The Chinese servant abroad eliminates the picturesque from his character for the deleterious substitution of the conglomerated vices of civilization. He is an admirable laundryman in America, a painstaking market gardener in Australasia and an expert thief everywhere. In China, if his objections are removed, he makes an industrious but dirty retainer. Treated decently, his character registers a vague probity which exerts itself to the benefit of his master against the crowd.

The untutored native in China, more particularly where foreigners are scarce, takes himself very seriously. He assumes matrimony with laborious intensity, and even his babies are prodigies of gravity; so much depends upon their smile that it is attended almost with serious consequences. A Chinese baby, as such, never frivols—that is permitted only when she has achieved that pinnacle of immortality which is the distinguishing feature of the dancing girl. The dancing girl frivols, and her frivolity is but the thin disguise of those women who, while not of easy virtue, are not difficult to approach. At the inn, when a traveler arrives, she is pushed forward, but her beauty is unhappily not of that high order which pays a compliment by reason of its presence. From Peking, where the smells come from, to Si-An-Fu, whence they spread themselves over Europe, from the new order back to the old, the ply is that the morality of the country is so susceptible. There is a self-sufficiency about these particles of Chinese life that is singularly human. The soldier, with his length of gas pipe, is the embodiment of that dignity which considers itself the protector of an empire. These martial ciphers are merely emblematic, and, for practical purposes, they have been too long in idleness. If they were properly drilled and equipped, there is scope in their physical development for obtaining the nucleus of an army. Whatever power protects China eventually, the military rabble throughout its empire will provide her with an immense field for organization. They can be made capable, and time will show whether, once appreciative of their own formidableness, they will summon up courage to wrest their land from the hands of the usurpers.

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HYPNOTISM AS A DRINK CURE.

It is Now Employed to Abate the Sin of Intemperance.

Many and varied are the so-called cures for that curse to humanity—habitual drunkenness. The latest treatment, and possibly one of the most effective and successful methods employed, is hypnotism. Naturally the habitual drunkard is considered harder to cure because he is in a state of perpetual intoxication, while the dipsomaniac is only periodically drunk, but men versed in the knowledge of suggestive therapeutics say with the former drunkenness is a habit and with the latter a form of insanity. A habit can be cured by suggestion, while the patient is under a hypnotic influence, as is every day being manifested, while insanity is rarely cured by a like treatment. Therefore the average cures effected by hypnotic suggestion number 80 per cent, the remaining 20 usually being cases of long standing dipsomania and people who really do not care to be cured. The patient must work with the hypnotist, who is usually a registered physician. He must want to be cured and do his best to relax entirely the mind and body and to go to sleep as he is told when the magic hypnotizer of silver is held before his eyes. When he is asleep he is told that he will not care for liquor when he leaves the place, the physician speaking in a soothing monotone. The desire to be cured, the confidence in the healer, the perfect rest for the nerves, together with the physical exercise practiced and the nutritious food provided, stimulate the heart and stomach until the patient forms the habit of going without liquor. Then he goes away cured, the treatment having lasted from ten to twenty days. The stronger the patient's mind the sooner he will be cured, for the greater will be his determination. This method of curing the liquor habit by hypnotism and suggestion is now being practiced by eminent physicians all over the country, and is being taught in one of the leading medical colleges of Chicago. It is strictly "professional," for not one of the instructors will teach the art outside the medical profession.

Lightning Reveals a Tomb.

Lightning recently brought about the discovery of an Etruscan tomb near Volterra. It struck an old pine tree on a hillock, and in cutting down the remnants of the tree the workmen found the top of the sepulchre under the roots.

TOLD BY FIGURES.

The costliest building of modern times is the state capitol at Albany, N. Y., which has already had spent upon it the immense sum of \$20,000,000. The dimensions of the capitol at Washington are: The length, 751 feet 4 inches; breadth, from 121 to 324 feet; it covers 153,112 square feet. From base line of building to the tip of stam, 287 feet 11 inches. The height of the dome above the base line on the east front is 287 feet 5 inches. The deepest lake in the world, so far as known, is Lake Baikal in Siberia. While 9,000 square miles in area, or nearly as large as Lake Erie, it is 4,000 to 4,500 feet deep, so that it contains nearly as much water as Lake Superior. Its surface is 1,350 feet above the sea level and its bottom nearly 2,900 feet below it. To those who have never considered the subject, it might appear that each letter is of equal importance in the formation of words, but the relative proportions required in the English language are these: a, 85; b, 16; c, 30; d, 44; e, 120; f, 25; g, 17; h, 64; i, 80; j, 4; k, 8; l, 40; m, 30; n, 80; o, 80; p, 17; q, 5; r, 62; s, 80; t, 90; u, 34; v, 12; w, 20; x, 4; y, 20; z, 2. It is this knowledge of how frequently one letter is used compared with others that enables cryptogram readers to unravel so many mysteries.

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Oberammergau is making ready to perform the Passion play in 1900, though the consent of the Bavarian Government has not yet been obtained. Most of the parts will be taken probably by the persons who acted them in 1890. The managers count on a very large attendance from visitors to the Paris Exhibition.

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