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Is what gives Hood's Sarsaparilla its great popularity, increasing sales and wonderful cures. The combination, proportion and process in preparing Hood's Sarsaparilla are unknown to other medicines, and make it peculiar to itself. It acts directly and positively upon the blood, and as the blood reaches every nook and corner of the human system, all the nerves, muscles, bones and tissues come under the beneficent influence of

Hood's Sarsaparilla

The One True Blood Purifier. All druggists, \$1.
Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

Only 30 per cent. of the robberies committed in London lead to a conviction.

Wind Swept.

Were it not for the intervening mountain ranges, this country, from Northwest to Southeast, would at times in winter be swept by devastating tornadoes. Blizzards seem to arise out of the caves and canons of the plains. Gaining strength and volume over a wide expanse, their force is arrested by the battlements of big hills. Sometimes they rise above the barriers and sweep the Middle States with fury. There you enjoy one day a mean temperature, and the next may be far below freezing. It is like an ice water bath on a warm day, and the shock to muscles, nerves and circulation is the cause of sudden neuritic and rheumatic attacks, both violent and acute. Those predisposed to such should have the master cure, St. Jacobs Oil, always ready. Its prompt use prevents the chronic stage, and in the chronic stage it is a prompt, sure cure.

Beware of Imitations for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system. Entering it through the mucous surfaces such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they do is often permanent. The good you can possibly derive from them, Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure to get the genuine. It is taken internally, and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 50c. per bottle.

Seed Time

The successful farmer has learned by experience that some grains require far different soil than others. He knows that a great deal depends on right planting at the right time. No use complaining in summer that a mistake was made in spring. Decide before seed-time. The best time to treat coughs and colds is before the seeds, or germs, of consumption have begun their destructive work.

Scott's Emulsion of Cod-liver Oil, with Hypophosphites, promptly cures lung and throat troubles. Do not neglect your cold.
SCOTT'S EMULSION has been endorsed by the medical profession for twenty years. (Ask your doctor.) This is because it always restores the system to its normal state—always contains the purest Norwegian Cod-liver Oil and Hypophosphites.
Insist on Scott's Emulsion, with trade-mark of man and fish.
Put up in 50 cent and \$1.00 sizes. The small size may be enough to cure your cough or help your baby.



Mr. Bert M. Moses, the advertisement and business writer of 502 Third street, Brooklyn, relates that he recently had occasion to consult Dr. J. S. Carrara, a well-known physician of 18 West Twenty-first street, New York City, for a stomach trouble which was pronounced a type of dyspepsia. "After consultation," writes Mr. Moses, "the Doctor gave me a prescription, and I was somewhat surprised to note that the formula was nearly identical with that of Ripan's Tablets, for which I had, on more than one occasion prepared advertising matter. I had Dr. Carrara's prescription filled, and it proved satisfactory, giving quick relief. A week later, when I had taken all the medicine, I again called on the Doctor and mentioned the similarity of his prescription and the proprietary remedy spoken of, showing him both the remedy itself and the formula. The Doctor was at first somewhat inclined to criticize what he called patent medicines, but appeared to be surprised when he noted to what extent his own prescription conformed to the formula I showed him. It was practically the same. After a short time devoted to noting the careful manner in which the proprietary medicine was prepared, he wound up by prescribing it for my case. Of course I had to pay him for telling me to do this, but it was worth the cost to have such high professional assurance that the advertised article was, in fact, the scientific formula that it purported to be. I might have taken the proprietary medicine in the beginning and saved the Doctor's fee, but I think the confidence I have acquired in the efficacy of the remedy, through the Doctor's endorsement of it, is well worth the fee."

A Mountain of Pure Sulphur.
The recently discovered sulphur deposits in the southern Cocopah range of mountains, on the eastern side of Lower California, are said to consist of mountains of almost pure sulphur. A. Goodbe, a banker of Ensenada, who returned to San Diego from a visit to the deposits, says the sulphur is 87 per cent. pure, and in its natural state is fit for ordinary commercial use, especially for the manufacture of sulphuric acid. At one place there is a bluff of practically pure sulphur fifteen feet high and 150 feet wide, and at the foot of this bluff a shaft has been sunk sixty feet deep into pure sulphur. The sulphur can be shoveled into sacks and put on the market in its natural state.—New York Sun.

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POPULAR SCIENCE.

It has been discovered that disease germs are killed by the blue and violet rays of sunlight in a few hours.

The use of paper for large fly-wheels is regarded with favor, the tensile strength of paper being enormous.

The death rate among the colored people in Chicago last year was 26.67 per 1000 against 15.05 for the whites.

The chemist of a Wisconsin wood-pulp company has, it is said, discovered a process by which sulphite fibre wood-pulp may be made fireproof.

A sextuplet cycle has been seen on the streets of Paris. It was built for track use. It weighs 150 pounds and is six and one-half yards in length.

There are 1500 different species of snakes in the world. Out of all that vast number England only has four species, and only one of those is poisonous.

The Siberian lemming-vole has been found by Merriam to live in the Dakotas and Idaho, as determined by a skin and skull received from the north shore of the Caspian Sea.

A bore-hole near Fort Jackson, New South Wales, has reached a depth of nearly 3000 feet. It shows an increase in the earth's temperature of one degree F. in eighty feet, while the average in the Northern Hemisphere is one degree in sixty feet.

A French biologist, M. Nocard, has proven that, while but few microbes exist in the blood after an ordinary meal, they are abundant after a meal containing much fat. He supposes the microbes carriers to be the small fat globules taken up by the lacteals.

The skin turns blue when exposed to cold because, by a low temperature, the circulation is impeded at the surface, the arterial blood is partially prevented from flowing beneath the skin, and the venous blood, which is almost purple, gives color to the skin.

Prince Luitpold of Bavaria has the entomological faith. His specialty is beetles, and he is said to have about the best collection in the world. He is well posted on the subject, and spends a great deal of time making original observations of the habits of various insects.

The upper part of a bird's bone (tarsometatarsus) found in a clay bed of unknown age in Vancouver's Island, has been found by Professor Cope to belong to a bird appearing to be allied to the Steganopodes (gannets, cormorants and pelicans, etc.) This presumed relationship indicates that it could swim as well as fly. If it could fly, "it will have been much the largest bird of flight thus far known."

Elephants as Roasabouts.

The man in Florida who has conceived the idea of using elephants in connection with the saw milling operations is perhaps more deserving of praise than humorous criticism. Although the idea of elephant labor in this country is at first a startling one, and likely to bring down the condemnation of trades unions and organized labor, it is nevertheless practicable, inasmuch as this kind of labor has in India been demonstrated to be one of the most economical and valuable methods which can be employed in lumbering operations there.

In India elephants perform work about the sawmill with almost human intelligence. The labor is cheap, as the elephant will work for his board and never strike, and at the same time perform the work of many men. They not only work about the mill and yard, but propel logs in the streams and carry them on shore. The trunk of the elephant, which the observer would conceive to be the soft and tender portion of the huge brute's anatomy, can, in reality, be as hard as steel at the will of its owner, and being possessed of great strength, obeys the will of the driver. The elephant will easily carry a piece of timber weighing a ton and a half, but if the weight be over that he will absolutely refuse to pull, in which event another elephant is pressed into service and the load is evenly divided. If the piece be light the elephant will balance it upon his trunk, and throwing his trunk about the piece, will carry it rapidly to whatever portion of the yard is desired, place it upon the pile and adjust it with perfect nicety. In time he goes to work of his own accord at the sounding of the whistle, and when the whistle blows at night will positively refuse to perform any more labor. Thus it is within the possibilities that oxen and mules may be retired, and that the loud-voiced Florida hand who urges the patient mule with blows of a blacksnake whip will cease this labor, and perched upon the back of an elephant, armed with a pointed iron prod, will do the heavy work required in the sawmill yard.—The Timberman.

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KEYSTONE STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

TO IMPROVE THE YOUGH.

Working Up Interest Among Rivermen and the Public.

The movement to improve the Youghiogheny river, which was so extensively agitated a few years ago, is on again. Colonel E. P. Suter, of Sutersville, and Major William McGraw, of Sewickley township, are the recognized prime movers in the present movement to improve the stream from McKeesport to West Newton, a distance of about 20 miles. An appropriation was made by Congress in 1874 for the improvement of the Yough. Two surveys have been made since that time and the appropriation is nearly all expended. The idea at present is to have the river improved by locks and dams, and made navigable as far up as West Newton. It is believed it would be a great benefit for the lower end of the valley.

Workmen clearing away the ruins of the burned Aitmyer theatre building in McKeesport, which was destroyed last Saturday, discovered the charred body of George M. Barto under a printing press. Barto was foreman of the Herald composing room, and went under an elevator shaft when the fire was discovered. Evidently he sought refuge from the flames under the press and their perished.

Secretary of the Commonwealth Reeder, after seeing the Seneca Indians, who, as descendants of Chief Cornplanter, lay claim to the site of Oil City, gave them a letter to Herbert Welsh, of Philadelphia, president of the Indian Rights society, in which Mr. Reeder set forth their undoubted claim. The necessary funds to take the Indians to Philadelphia have been raised.

Ettinghams' hall, in Banksville, a suburb of Pittsburg, on the Little Sawmill Run railroad, was burned late Tuesday night by a fire of unknown origin. A tea party for the benefit of St. Catherine's Roman Catholic church was in progress, and there were 200 men and women in the hall. All company safely in the wild rush for the stairway. The hall was destroyed, causing \$1,000 loss.

The Schoen Manufacturing Company, in Lower Allegheny, has been started in full on double turn. This means employment for fully 1,500 men, many of whom have been idle for several months. The company makes pressed steel and railroad specialties. The material is furnished by the Oliver Iron and Steel Company.

The furnace strike at New Castle, was declared off Monday. The men demanded pay on half holidays, but they go back to the old scale until the iron market justifies an increase. All the furnaces here will start within a few days.

Rev. J. J. Parsons, of the First Baptist church of Oil City, offered his resignation as pastor Sunday, to take effect March 31. It was accepted. The continued ill health of his wife necessitated a removal to Florida.

Rev. A. Maxwell tendered his resignation as pastor of the Baptist church at Connelville, to take effect the last Sunday in the month. He has accepted a call from the First church at McKeesport.

More than 100 persons have professed conversion at Bellefonte since Evangelist Leonard Weaver, of New Jersey, began preaching in the court-house.

A hold robbery occurred at the Alice furnace in Shadysburg, the thieves carrying off eight brass tapers worth \$100 and each weighing 10 pounds.

The Altoona, Clearfield & Northern branch of the Pennsylvania railroad was buried under eight feet of snow at portions in the mountains.

Westmoreland county commissioners offer a reward of \$140 for the Italian murderer of James Dougherty.

The Second Lutheran church of Altoona, was robbed of \$60 from the collection basket Sunday night.

The State Oil company, of Titusville, has been chartered, with a capital of \$500,000.

A wood-carving plant, employing 150 men, is to be established at New Kensington.

The Altoona Novelty company has been organized to make bicycle brakes.

The eggs should not be used in weakness or sickness.

MARKETS.

PITTSBURGH.	
Grain, Flour and Feed.	
WHEAT—No. 1 red.....	74 3/4 75
No. 2 red.....	74 1/4 75
CORN—No. 2 yellow ear.....	32 3/4 33
No. 3 yellow do.....	32 1/4 33
Mixed ear.....	32 1/4 33
OATS—No. 1 white.....	25 1/2 26 1/2
No. 2 white.....	25 1/4 26 1/4
Light mixed.....	25 1/4 26 1/4
RYE—No. 1.....	45 46
No. 2.....	44 45
FLOUR—Water patents brand.....	3 5/8 3 5/8
Fancy Spring patents.....	3 6/8 3 6/8
Fancy straight water.....	3 4/8 3 4/8
RYE flour.....	2 5/8 2 5/8
HAY—No. 1 timothy.....	15 7/8 16 1/8
No. 2.....	15 5/8 16 1/8
Mixed timothy.....	14 1/2 15 1/2
New hay, from wagons.....	18 1/2 19 1/2
FEED—No. 1 white, 100 lb.....	13 1/2 14 1/2
No. 2.....	13 1/4 14 1/4
Brn, buckwheat.....	12 1/2 13 1/2
STRAW—Wheat.....	7 1/2 8 1/2
Oat.....	8 1/2 9 1/2

Dairy Products.	
BUTTER—Eggs, fresh.....	19 1/2 20
Fancy Creamery.....	19 1/2 20
Fancy country roll.....	19 1/2 20
CHEESE—Ohio, new.....	9 1/2 10
New York, new.....	10 1/2 11

Fruit and Vegetables.	
APPLES—Hand-picked, per bu.....	1 1/2 1 3/4
BRAN—Hand-picked, per bu.....	1 1/2 1 3/4
PUMPKINS—Fine, in car, 50.....	43 45
CABBAGE—Home grown, blk.....	1 1/2 1 3/4
ONIONS—A. 100 lb.....	43 45

Poultry, Etc.	
CHICKENS—F. pair.....	43 60
TURKEYS—F. pair.....	10 11
EGGS—F. and Ohio, fresh.....	18 19

Miscellaneous.	
BERKES—Clover 62 lb.....	4 7/8 5 00
Timothy, prime.....	1 1/2 1 3/4
Blue grass.....	1 1/2 1 3/4
MARYLAND.....	7 1/2 8 1/2
WHEAT—Country, sweet, 100 lb.....	2 1/2 3 1/2
TALLOW.....	4 4

LITTLE GIRL KEPT THE SEAT.

Children Injured by Standing Up in Jerky Street Cars.

"Let the little girl get up and give the lady her seat," said a bewhiskered, middle-aged old man in a Clark street car yesterday, as he reached across the aisle and poked at the child's mother with his cane. The lady with her arms full of bundles stood expectant and beamed on the old man for his thoughtfulness, but the mother looked mad enough to set his whiskers on fire as she replied:

"I have paid for the seat the child is occupying. If you want the lady to have a seat you had better give her your own."

The old man was so greatly abashed by the reception of his suggestion that he entirely forgot to give the lady his seat, and she stood up all the way to the end of the line. This incident set the little fat conductor to talking about hogs and other animals that ride on street cars, and among other things he said:

"That woman is all right. She ain't got no call to make her little girl stand up after she has paid for her seat and there are a lot of duffers like that old man settin' around. This idea of making children, especially young girls, stand up in street cars is all wrong anyhow. They can't reach up to the straps, and have to teeter around on their little legs and be jerked back and forth without anything to steady themselves by. It's a shame, that's what it is, and I know many little girls who get strains and hurts that stay with them all their lives by being jerked around in these cars."

"Besides," he continued, as he shot a stream of tobacco juice at a boy who was trying to steal a ride, "it ain't no easy thing for a fat woman, like that one in there, whose own feet barely touch the floor, and who has no lap to speak of, to hold a child. So it's tough on the women as well as the kids. That woman is dead right, and I'm glad she give the old wart with the whiskers the marble heart."

There are many mothers in Chicago who will heartily endorse the fat conductor's views on street car etiquette.—Chicago Tribune.

A Fagin in Real Life.

Theodore Grant, a New York Fagin, was convicted of teaching boys to steal. He had been arrested with three of his pupils, Morris Jonkowsky, aged 9; Louis Silverblom, 8; and Samuel Hallowitz, 13. "He stole," little Jonkowsky told Justice Hayes, "and he taught us kids to steal. We would take things out of each other's pockets. Mostly we were 'shades' and 'workers.' He did most of the 'picks' himself. I used to go up in front of a woman and knock something out of her hand, and stand so she couldn't pick it up easily. Then Grant would pick her pocket from behind. When there was a crowd we would 'shade' Grant. He did the work while we crawled around so people couldn't see."

"What have you to say for yourself?" asked the justice.

"When I was pulled by de cops dis kid had just touched a pocket, but I wasn't in de job," said Grant.

"This is Fagin and Oliver Twist in real life," said the justice. "The sentence of the court is that you be confined in the penitentiary for one year on each of the three complaints against you."

Grass is King! Hurrah!!

Shout for joy. The green grass rules. It's more valuable than oats, wheat and corn together. Luxuriant meadows are the farmer's delight. A positive way to get them and a very sure one we know is to sow Salszer's Extra Grass Mixture. No need of waiting a life time either. Salszer has a mixture, sown in April, producing hay in June. The editor learns that many farmers report yields of six tons of magnificent hay per acre. Over one hundred different kinds of grasses, clovers, Teosinte, Sand Vetch, Giant Spurry and Fodder plants! 35 packages earliest vegetables \$1.00. Order them to-day! If you will cut this out and send it with 10c. postage to the John A. Salszer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., you will receive free ten grass and grain samples and their mammoth seed catalogue. Catalogue alone 5c. (A.)

Paris Dog Tailors.

The Paris dog-tailors issue at this season of the year their fashion plates for the coming months. "On the occasion of the marriage of an Ambassador's daughter," says one of these artists, "I make for his Excellency's dogs brilliant gala costumes to match the liveries of the servants."

The Modern Way

Commends itself to the well-informed, to do pleasantly and effectually what was formerly done in the crudest manner and disagreeably as well. To cleanse the system and break up colds, headaches and fevers without unpleasant after effects, use the delightful liquid laxative remedy, Syrup of Fig. Manufactured by California Fig Syrup Company.

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In Norway the average length of life is greater than in any country on the globe.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays that painful croup, wind colic, &c., &c. A child with sore eyes use Dr. Isaac Thompson's Eye-water. Druggists sell at 25c per bottle.

Rattlesnakes, Butterflies, and ...?

Washington Irving said, he supposed a certain hill was called "Rattlesnake Hill" because it abounded in—butterflies. The "rule of contrary" governs other names. Some bottles are, supposedly, labeled "Sarsaparilla" because they are full of . . . well, we don't know what they are full of, but we know it's not sarsaparilla; except, perhaps, enough for a flavor. There's only one make of sarsaparilla that can be relied on to be all it claims. It's Ayer's. It has no secret to keep. Its formula is open to all physicians. This formula was examined by the Medical Committee at the World's Fair with the result that while every other make of sarsaparilla was excluded from the Fair, Ayer's Sarsaparilla was admitted and honored by awards. It was admitted because it was the best sarsaparilla. It received the medal as the best. No other sarsaparilla has been so tested or so honored. Good motto for the family as well as the Fair: Admit the best, exclude the rest.

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