



It was Voltaire who said:  
"People whose bowels are freed by an easy, regular movement every morning are mild, affable, gracious, kind. A 'No' from their mouth comes with more grace than a 'Yes' from the mouth of one who is constipated."

Such is Voltaire's testimonial to the value of Ayer's Pills.

**J. C. AYER COMPANY,**  
Practical Chemists, Lowell, Mass.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla  
Ayer's Pills  
Ayer's Hair Vigor  
Ayer's Cherry Pectoral  
Ayer's Catarrh

**Patriotism in Times of Peace.**

A college education as we see it to-day is not enough to insure a good citizen. Something more is required. This something is unselfish patriotism. But cannot this be made one of the results of education? Certainly it should be. If the State educates men it should educate them loyally to conserve her own interests. The movements to teach patriotism in our common schools is a good one. Care must be taken, however, that the right sort of patriotism be taught. The young American must not come to believe that patriotism consists solely in the risking of life to repel invaders. He must be taught that it consists no less in guarding the interests of the State in time of peace.—Saturday Evening Post.

Autumn maneuvers of the German army will be attended this year for the first time by a representative of the French army.

The census of White Plains, N. Y., shows more dogs than people.

**To Mothers of Large Families.**

In this workaday world few women are so placed that physical exertion is not constantly demanded of them in their daily life.

Mrs. Pinkham makes a special appeal to mothers of large families whose work is never done, and many of whom suffer, and suffer for lack of intelligent aid.

To women, young or old, rich or poor, Mrs. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., extends her invitation of free advice. Oh, women! do not let your lives be sacrificed when a word from Mrs. Pinkham, at the first approach of



Mrs. CARRIE BELLEVILLE

weakness, may fill your future years with healthy joy.

"When I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was not able to do my housework. I suffered terribly at time of menstruation. Several doctors told me they could do nothing for me. Thanks to Mrs. Pinkham's advice and medicine I am now well, and can do the work for eight in the family.

"I would recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to all mothers with large families."—Miss CARRIE BELLEVILLE, Ludington, Mich.

The youngsters were at a general knowledge class when the master asked among his many questions: "Now boys, who was the first to open a bank account?" A smart little boy at the back put up his hand. "Well, Johnny," said the master. "Please, sir, St. Peter." "Who told you that, Johnny?" asked the master in surprise. "Why," said Johnny, "it says in our Scripture book that he lodged with one Simon, a tanner."



**Two Big Pains**

seem to be the heritage of the human family everywhere, viz:

**Rheumatism**  
and  
**Neuralgia**

is one sure and sure for both, viz:

**Cob's Oil**

**THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE PESSIMIST**

He didn't like the world;  
"The cruel, cruel," said he;  
"All men are base or coarse,  
Unfit to stand with me!"

"I'll quit the crowded ways,  
I'll leave the noise and strife;  
I'll seek a hermit's cave  
And settle there for life.

"My own companionship  
Is all that I shall claim—  
It only may I hold  
Without a pang of shame."

And so he found a cave  
And there he hid his face,  
And bade the world farewell—  
The thoughtless world and base.

At last men learned of this,  
And, with becoming grace,  
Admitted that he'd made  
The world a better place.

**PITH AND POINT.**

"Yes, my daughter plays entirely by ear." "Well, madame, I can recommend an intelligent artist."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Edith—"The man I marry must be a hero of the gridiron." Ethel—"He will be; if there is any cooking done he'll have to do it."—Judge.

Wife keeps her temper pretty well,  
Although she does not boast of it;  
And what she loses, truth to tell,  
I always get the most of it.

Mrs. City—"How are you getting along without your hired girl?" Mrs. Suburbs—"Poorly. I never could work right unless I had some one over me."

Penelope—"Mr. Spooner is going to teach me how to swim." Perdita—"I thought you had been taught already." Penelope—"Not by him."—Harper's Bazar.

Magistrate—"Why don't you reform?" Prisoner—"I haven't time." Magistrate—"Fortunately, I have some at my disposal, I think I can spare you six months."

The Girl—"Is your novel a novel with a purpose?" The Author—"It is. My purpose is to acquire enough money to buy a tenderloin steak with mushrooms."—Chicago News.

"As I came by the kitchen window, Jane, I thought I saw you on a young man's knee." "Well, ma'am, it is an artist friend of mine, and I have been giving him a few sittings."—Fun.

Her mouth was not so very large,  
Yet, in a confidential minute,  
She told the dentist that she had  
Three well developed achers in it.

"He suggested that possibly I might learn to love him," said the spinster. "Yes, of course," returned her dearest friend. "Doubtless he realizes the truth of the saying that 'one is never too old to learn.'"—Chicago Post.

Suspicious Housekeeper—"Your coffee is certainly cheap, but how am I to know that it's not half beans?" Grocer—"Easily, madam; no one could afford to sell beans at the price I'm asking for this coffee."—Philadelphia Record.

Deacon Goode (to a little girl formerly of his Sunday-school)—"I hope, Mary, you are still walking in the straight and narrow way." Mary—"Oh, dear, no, Deacon Goode. Haven't you heard? We now live on the boulevard."—Boston Transcript.

Gardener—"I keep this gun loaded, but it is very seldom I discharge it. I call it my magazine rifle." Farmer—"Your magazine rifle?" Gardener—"Yes; you see, when anything goes into it there is no telling how long it will be before it comes out."—Boston Transcript.

**An Owl Attends Court.**  
Although an owl is known for its wisdom it is very seldom that one finds its way into a court of justice, where wisdom is always present.

One of these wily creatures did find its way into the court room at Towson the other day. Court was in session, and Judge Burke sat upon the bench with knitted brows trying to fathom some of the intricacies of the law which was being explained by one of the legal lights of the county. No sooner had the bird gotten inside the court room than it at once took in the situation and flying over Judge Burke's head, perched itself upon the drapery pole immediately back of the learned Judge. Here it sat without moving a feather, with one eye turned downward and fastened upon the movements of Judge Burke until court adjourned.—Baltimore News.

**A Chinese Wedding.**  
The rite of marriage in China is one of much ceremony. The bride is in no way consulted, but is sold to the highest bidder for her hand. The ceremonies are six in number, namely: finding out the lady's name, the hour, day and month of her birth, which until the ceremony the husband is not supposed to know; the consultation of the soothsayers as to the prospects of happiness; paying the wedding fees, settling the wedding day, and conducting the bride to the house of the bridegroom.

On the day of this latter, or sixth, ceremony the bride is gorgeously dressed and carried to her husband's house in a tightly closed palanquin.

**Curious Sentinels.**  
The cave-like places left after coal has been excavated from the mines are supported by pillars formed from pieces of coal. Any dislodgement of these pieces weakens the supports, which causes the earth above to loosen and in settling it presses down upon the rats that inhabit the mines in great numbers. As a result they give expression to their discomfort by indulging in a general scratching time, which continues night and day for two or three weeks. This serves as a solemn warning to the miners to leave that portion of the mine and thus escape the peril which menaces them.

**THE MARKETS.**

**PITTSBURGH.**  
Grain, Flour and Feed.

WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	40 70
Do—No. 2 white.....	40 80
COB—No. 2 yellow, shelled.....	48 48 1/2
Mixed ear.....	45 1/2 46
OATS—No. 2 white.....	27 1/2 27 3/4
No. 3 white.....	26 1/2 26 3/4
Flour—Winter patent.....	8 90 4 60
Fancy straight winters.....	8 70 3 90
HAY—No. 1 timothy.....	14 50 15 00
Clover, No. 1.....	13 50 14 00
FEED—No. 1 white mid., ton.....	18 25 18 75
Brown middlings.....	16 00 17 00
Brn., bulk.....	15 50 16 00
STRAW—Wheat.....	8 50 9 00
Oat.....	8 00 8 50

**Dairy Products.**

BUTTER—Elgin creamery.....	21 1/2 21 1/4
Ohio creamery.....	21 1/2 21 1/4
Fancy country roll.....	16 17
CHEESE—Ohio, new.....	11 1/2 12
New York, new.....	12 12 1/2

**Poultry, etc.**

HENS—per lb.....	9 1/2 10
CHICKENS—dressed.....	13 1/2 14
EGGS—Pa. and Ohio, fresh.....	19 1/2 21

**Fruits and Vegetables.**

BEANS—Navy per bushel.....	2 00 2 10
POTATOES—Fancy white, bu.....	45 50
CABBAGE—per bu.....	90 1 00
ONIONS—per bu.....	55 65

**BALTIMORE.**

FLOUR—Patents.....	3 90 4 10
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	75 1/2 76 1/2
COB—Mixed.....	43 1/2 44 1/2
OATS.....	26 1/2 27 1/2
EGGS.....	19
BUTTER—Ohio creamery.....	22 25

**PHILADELPHIA.**

FLOUR—Patents.....	3 30 3 50
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	70 1/2 71 1/2
COB—No. 2 mixed.....	44 1/2 45 1/2
OATS.....	26 1/2 27 1/2
BUTTER—Creamery, extra.....	23 1/2 24
EGGS—Pennsylvania firsts.....	20 21

**NEW YORK.**

FLOUR—Patents.....	4 15 4 45
WHEAT—No. 2 red.....	75 1/2
COB—No. 2.....	43 1/2
OATS—White western.....	27 27 1/2
BUTTER—Creamery.....	18 22 1/2
EGGS—State and Penn.....	21 22

**LIVE STOCK.**

Central Stock Yards, East Liberty, Pa.

**CATTLE.**

Prime heavy, 1500 to 1600 lbs.....	5 50 5 65
Prime, 1300 to 1400 lbs.....	5 35 5 50
Medium, 1000 to 1200 lbs.....	4 40 4 55
Fat heifers.....	4 00 4 25
Butcher, 500 to 1000 lbs.....	4 10 4 25
Common to fair.....	3 87 1/2 4 12 1/2
Oxen, common to fair.....	3 50 3 85
Common to good fat bulls and cows.....	2 50 3 50
Milk cows, each.....	20 00 35 00
Extra milk cows, each.....	35 00 50 00

**HOGS.**

Prime medium weights.....	4 95 5 00
Best heavy Yorkers and mead.....	4 85 4 90
Good to choice packers.....	4 80 4 90
Good pigs and light hogs.....	4 65 4 75
Skip pigs.....	3 90 3 90
Prime heavy hogs.....	4 95 5 05
Common to fair.....	4 25 4 35
Knobs.....	4 10 4 20
Stags.....	3 90 4 00

**SHEEP.**

Extra, med. weight wethers.....	3 90 4 00
Good to choice.....	3 75 3 85
Medium.....	3 65 3 75
Common to fair.....	1 50 2 80

**LAMBS.**

Lambs, extra spring.....	5 10 5 25
Lambs, good to choice, spring.....	5 00 5 10
Lambs, common to fair, spring.....	4 75 5 00

**CALVES.**

Veal, extra.....	7 00 7 25
Veal, good to choice.....	6 25 7 00
Veal, common to fair.....	6 00 6 25
Veal, common heavy.....	5 25 5 45

**TRADE REVIEW.**

No Great Activity Until After the Ballots Are Counted—Buyers Placing Orders. Good Crop Weather.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Review of Trade" says: The elections mean a great deal to all business interests, and although confidence in the future is seen on every hand, it is natural that men do not care to take unnecessary chances, and therefore delay new engagements as far as possible until after the ballots are counted. But contracts for steel rails for the season are within 50,000 tons of last year's heavy bookings, and the confidence in an ultimate marked improvement is so strong that all raw materials are firm, and without any speculative activity to stimulate them. The agitation for an advance in billets, though a small one, is an indication of what the iron and steel markets expect in the next six months, and in the great industries sellers of material could easily make heavy contracts if they cared to attach political provisions to their agreements. However unreasonable fears may be, it is likely to be better for business in the long run that conservative ideas for the present are entertained. The weather over a great part of the country has been favorable for agricultural operations, which are progressing well, and in the East the unseasonable temperature has retarded general trade comparatively little, as there has been no great stimulus yet this season. Conditions in the iron and steel market steadily improve, orders gradually swell in volume and buyers make less effort to secure concessions. In most cases quotations are not altered, but there is an advance to \$20 at Philadelphia for billets, owing to the better business in rails. Pig iron moves freely, especially at Chicago, where manufacturers have contracted heavily for finished stuff in excess of raw material on hand. Cast iron pipe is in urgent demand, and new plans for ship building will take plate. Bridge builders are buying structural forms heavily. Wheat continued its downward course, owing to good news here and abroad, but an encouraging feature was the accelerated foreign buying as quotations declined. Atlantic exports for the week were 2,036,028 bushels, against 2,253,625 bushels a year ago, and Pacific shipments, 878,043 bushels against 658,583 bushels last year. Corn is slightly weaker, while pork products have fallen sharply.

Failures for the week were 205 in the United States, against 190 last year, and 28 in Canada, against 23 last year.

**Bad Elephant Shot.**  
Romeo, the monster elephant of the Ringling Bros. circus, was shot and killed Tuesday at Wichita Falls, Tex., because he acted ugly and attempted to kill a keeper while being watered. Romeo had a record of killing three keepers in 15 years.

Whales cannot swim faster than 10 or 12 miles an hour.

**Rapid Transit Problem.**

That underground electric traction is the ultimate solution of the rapid transit problem in the larger cities of this country and Europe has long been apparent to engineers. The recent subway plans suggested by President Roach as a solution of the traction problem in this city, while deemed somewhat chimerical by many, are nevertheless in line with modern progress in systems of urban transportation, says the Chicago Times-Herald.

Fresh interest in the practicability and economy of underground street railway transportation is stimulated by recent reports from the success of the underground electric railway in London. This line, which extends from the Bank of England, in the center of the city to Shepherd's Bush, a distance of six miles, and which required four years to construct and an outlay of \$17,032,850, was opened on July 30 last. Its success was immediate and notable. In a letter to the state department Consul General Osborne writes that in three days the road was used by 260,000 passengers. The road has many American innovations, which are greatly appreciated by Londoners. It is equipped with luxurious vestibule cars and 28 toped-shed engines, which were built in the United States.

So great has been the success of the underground electric traction that engineers freely make the prediction that in ten years London will be supplied with a vast network of underground, electric railways, with a grand belt of electric lines encircling the metropolis. The new system, it is claimed, has not only emptied the omnibuses, but has thinned out the crowds on the pavement.

There is little doubt that any plans affecting the surface lines in Chicago and New York are only temporary makeshifts to be regarded as merely preliminary to the final underground solution of the traction problem—the only solution that will relieve the congestion in the streets and give rapid transit by doing away with street crossings.

**France Still Mistress of Art.**  
That the French should shine in the more artistic part of the Paris exposition is not to be wondered at. They have always been first in design, and in this respect, at least, they are not decadent. The beautiful grouping of figures shown in the galleries in which are exhibited the tableaux representing the progress of costume from the days when men dwelt in caves until the present hour, the superb architecture of some of the buildings, and a thousand and one details of the great international fair, clearly demonstrate that France is what she has been for centuries—the artistic mistress of Europe.—London Daily Mail.

**Labor Agitators in Hawaii.**  
Of late Japanese labor in the Hawaiian islands is assuming a phase unsatisfactory to the employers. Compared with the placid Chinaman the Jap is a good deal of an agitator. He is apt to preach discontent, form unions and resort to strikes. This makes him dangerous in the sugar industry, as cane must be cut and crushed promptly when ready or the crop is a loss, and the planters have begun to turn toward the Portuguese again. On the 1st of July last two of them left Honolulu for New Orleans to enlist negroes.—Ainslee's Magazine.

**How's This?**  
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by him in his capacity as agent for West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

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New York City has a number of tropical plantations, growing within the limits of the city. In both Central and Riverside parks there have been cultivated during the summer a large number of cotton, tobacco and other plants.

**Best For the Bowels.**  
No matter what ails you, headache to a cancer, you will never get well until your bowels are put right. CASCARATTS help nature, cure you without a gripe or pain, produce easy natural movements, cost you just 10 cents to start getting your health back. CASCARATTS Candy Cathartic, the genuine, put up in metal boxes, every tabled has O.G. stamped on it. Beware of imitations.

Some people frequently drink tea as a remedy for headache. The habit should be practiced with caution, as an eminent physician states that the tannic acid in the tea causes rheumatism.

Each package of PUTNAM FADELESS DYE colors either Silk, Wool or Cotton perfectly at one boiling. Sold by all druggists.

Japanese workmen bathe the whole body once a day, and some of them twice. Public baths are provided in every street.

**Frey's Vermifuge.**  
Has been curing children of worms for 60 yrs. 25 cents. At Druggists and country stores.

It is said that no fewer than 250,000 books for the blind are borrowed annually from the free libraries in this country.

Cartier's Ink is just as cheap as poor ink and is the best ink made. Always use Cartier's.

Socialists in Paris have organized a bureau to spread their doctrines.

**To Cure a Cold in One Day.**  
Take LAXATIVE BROWN QUININE TABLETS. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 30c.

Mormonism is getting a strong hold among the Maories in New Zealand.

Throw physic to the dogs—it you don't want the dog; but if you want good digestion chew Beeman's Pepsin Gum.

The English tobacco trade employs to-day 121 women to every 100 men.

Pico's Cure cannot be too highly spoken of as a cough cure.—I. W. O'BRIEN, 323 Third Ave., N. Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 6, 1900.

Coal brings the highest price in South Africa and the lowest in China.

Mr. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children's teething, soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 50c a bottle.

The profit on England's postal service amounts to about \$20,000,000 a year.

**HOW WEAK CHILDREN ARE MADE STRONG, VIGOROUS AND WELL**



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hallows, of Peckham St., Globe Village, Fall River, Mass., have cause to thank Dr. Greene's Nervura for restoring to health, and probably preserving the life of their little son. Almost from infancy Everett Hallows was troubled with indigestion and nervous troubles, and nothing seemed to help him. Finally Dr. Greene's Nervura was recommended and tried with success. A few bottles were sufficient to effect a cure, and to-day the little one is enjoying the best of health. By the use of Dr. Greene's Nervura the sickly child was transformed into a happy, hearty, robust boy.

**Dr. Greene's Nervura for the Blood and Nerves**

Thousands of other children can thank Dr. Greene and his wonderful remedy for the strength and health they enjoy. Children to whom it is given have less sickness, better health, better growth, and longer and more vigorous lives. Parents should realize that it is their duty to give it to every child who is not in perfect health. There are no diseases more dreaded by parents than fits, epilepsy, and St. Vitus' dance. Yet no child would be troubled by them if Dr. Greene's Nervura were given when the first symptoms appear.

**Charles L. McBay, a highly esteemed pedagogue, who resides at 14 Myrtle St., New Bedford, Mass., says:**

"About two years ago my little daughter became run down in health and suffered from St. Vitus' dance. Soon after she was prostrated by rheumatism, which severely affected her low limbs. After trying various remedies without obtaining relief, she began taking Dr. Greene's Nervura. Blood and nerve remedy, and experienced immediate benefit. She continued its use, and after taking five bottles her rheumatism was practically cured. Her appetite returned, her pains disappeared, she was again able to walk without lameness, her general health was restored, and she was able to attend school and to play like other children."

Dr. Greene's Nervura, blood and nerve remedy, is the prescription and discovery of the well-known Dr. Greene, of 35 West 14th Street, New York City, who is the most successful specialist in curing all forms of nervous and chronic complaints, and he can be consulted in any case, free of charge, personally or by letter.

**Shore Sinking, Sea Encroaching.**  
That the shore of the Gulf upon which Galveston is situated is gradually sinking is a fact which cannot be disregarded. A city which has an elevation of only 12 feet at most cannot last long even with a subsidence of one to two feet in a century. Direct evidence of the general sinking of the Atlantic coast is given by the configuration of the land. Even the historical record shows that, though imperceptible in a single year, the advance of the sea is considerable when decades are compared and enormous when measured by centuries.—New York Post.

There are in the United States 30 Berlins, 21 Hamburgs, 23 towns bearing the name Paris and 13 Londons.

The Best Prescription for Chills and Fever is a bottle of GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure—50c per bottle.

California stands fifth among the States as an oil-producer.

**Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup**

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