

**Species of Blind Creatures.**  
Naturalists declare that there are 172 species of blind creatures known to science, but many hundreds of species of blind cave insects have been discovered in recent years. They are mostly white, either from lack of the stimulus of light or from bleaching of the skin. Some species have small eyes, and some have none. There are, no doubt, many more species still to be discovered, as nearly every description of fish found in the sea at great depths, where the light cannot penetrate, is quite blind. To make up for the lack of sight they are provided with feelers most delicately constructed. Blind insects, as well as fish are found in the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, and in fact, blind creatures are common in all situations not otherwise hostile to the existence of animal life where light is absent. The want of sight in these creatures is believed to be the direct effect of the absence of the stimulus of light, for in most cases rudimentary eyes are found, proving the fact of degeneration.—New York Weekly.

**Speed Transit Preserves the Pence.**  
Electricity has brought us many blessings. Its latest benefit is found in the falling off of applications for annuities in the City Court, which hitherto has rejoiced in the settling of cases "arising out of street obstructions, and quarrels of cabmen, bus drivers and carters." The relief of the street consequent upon the opening of the underground electric railways is given as the cause for this happy state of affairs.—London Sphere.

—All things green have a hardy growth in England. The garden hedge there is compact and beautiful—more so than in any windy country.

**PETNAM FARELESS DYES** do not spot, streak or give your goods an unwelcome dyed appearance. Sold by all druggists.

Andrew Carnegie believes in being generous while he is alive, and does not defer the manifestation of his charity until death has parted him from his wealth. Last year his gifts amounted to \$5,000,000. In 1899 he gave away \$5,000,000.

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

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The record running high jump is six feet five and three-quarters inches.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

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**THE DUTY OF MOTHERS.**

What suffering frequently results from a mother's ignorance; or more frequently from a mother's neglect to properly instruct her daughter!

Tradition says "woman must suffer," and young women are so taught. There is a little truth and a great deal of exaggeration in this. If a young woman suffers severely she needs treatment, and her mother should see that she gets it.

Many mothers hesitate to take their daughters to a physician for examination; but no mother need hesitate to write freely about her daughter or herself to Mrs. Pinkham and secure the most efficient advice without charge. Mrs. Pinkham's address is Lynn, Mass.



Mrs. August Pfalzgraf, of South Byron, Wis., mother of the young lady whose portrait we here publish, wrote Mrs. Pinkham in January, 1899, saying her daughter had suffered for two years with irregular menstruation—had headache all the time, and pain in her side, feet swell, and was generally miserable. Mrs. Pinkham promptly replied with advice, and under date of March, 1899, the mother writes again that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cured her daughter of all pains and irregularity.

Nothing in the world equals Mrs. Pinkham's great medicine for regulating woman's peculiar monthly troubles.



**A Delicious Salad.**

A delicious salad may be made of the turkey meat. Cut the meat into dice and mix with it an equal quantity of celery. Season with salt, paprika, onion juice and capers, and serve on lettuce leaves with a mayonnaise dressing, to which some whipped cream has been added. Both white and dark meat may be used, and if the supply is small very tender veal will not detract from the flavor.

**A Compo of Quinces.**

For a compo of quinces peel, quarter and core six that are ripe and sound and boil them in water enough to keep them from burning until they are tender. Remove the pieces of fruit and make a syrup of one-half cupful of water and one-half cupful of sugar. Then add the fruit and boil for five minutes. Remove the quinces to a glass dish and boil the syrup until it is thick. When it is cool pour it over the quinces.

**Fricassee of Lamb.**

A delicious fricassee of lamb may be made by cutting the neck and shoulder into small pieces, dredging it with flour which has been seasoned with salt and pepper, and sauteing it in butter until it is brown. The next step is to add to it hot water to more than cover it, and cook slowly until the meat falls from the bones. Remove the bones, return the meat to the stewpan, add a slice of onion, a small tomato and cook for half an hour. Remove the onion, put the meat in the centre of the platter and arrange dumplings around it. Serve the sauce, of which there should be plenty, in a gravy boat, separately.

**Spring Chicken with Oysters.**

Singe and draw a small, tender chicken of about two pounds; wipe it, inside and out, with a wet towel; cut the neck close to the breast, leave the skin over the breast long to envelop the breast; cut the legs close to the body, and cut them in two; cut the body in six pieces. Leave the breast and wings in one piece. Put one and a half tablespoons of butter in an earthen cocotte, put it on the chafing dish; stand directly over the flame. When the butter has melted put in first all the dark meat and the carcass; six minutes after put in the breast. Season with one-level teaspoon of salt, one level saltspoon of pepper; cook 20 minutes uncovered, not too fast, and taking care to turn and baste each piece, so that every one shall become of a golden brown. Meanwhile prepare one quart of oysters, drain off the liquor, put them in boiling water one minute; dry them well with a towel, remove the tendons, trim, and after the chicken has cooked 20 minutes add them to it. Make room in the cocotte, so that the oysters will go to the bottom; cook three minutes after putting in the oysters. With the fork arrange nicely all the pieces, putting the breast on the top with some of the nicest oysters over it. Serve from the cocotte. If not at hand, the chafing dish could be used instead, allowing four minutes less for the cooking.—Harper's Bazar.

**Household Hints.**

Tomato soup is improved by a few slices of oranges just before serving.

A thick felt under the table cloth avoids noise and saves wear on the cloth.

Onions are particularly healthful, and should be indulged in more frequently than they are.

To make tough meats tender put a spoonful of vinegar into the water in which they are boiling.

To remove grease spots from silk moisten the spots with chloroform and rub with a cloth till dry.

Excellent dishcloths may be made from old white Holland curtains after the stiffening has been boiled out.

Newspapers moistened and torn into bits and strewn over a matting covered floor will aid greatly in the sweeping.

Solled white fur can be cleaned by rubbing it in successive changes of flour and then hanging it for a time in the open air.

Black silk and black satin are greatly improved by wiping them with spirits of wine diluted with a little water, and wipe it on the right side.

In a room flooded with sunshine it is wisest to use wall paper in which green predominates. With so much light repose and toning are needed.

A small novelty in table furnishing is the cold metal platter, which is perfectly flat like a bureau tray, but with a similar but slighter upright rim.

Current jelly and turnips are the natural accompaniments of mutton. A pretty way to serve the turnips is to cut them in two after they are cooked, scoop them into cup shapes and fill with green peas.

If the point or end of the breast bone next the vent of any fowl, game bird, etc., bends easily to pressure, you can safely say the bird is young. If the bird be broken or doctored, then nip the flesh across butt of wings or neck, between finger and thumb, when the fingers will sink into the flesh of the bird if it is young.

**Familiar Examples.**

"Mention some familiar examples of successive layers."  
"Yes, sir. Hens and jelly cakes, sir."  
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**BEST WAY TO FIND A MAN.**

Usually a Letter-carrier Can Trace Him, If Any One Can.

"I used to think that the letter carrier was one public official who had no perquisites attached to his job," said a New Orleans lawyer, "and I sympathized with him accordingly. But recently," he continued, "I discovered that I was in error. One day, a few weeks ago, the carrier dropped in at my office with the usual batch of mail, and, as he was going out, asked whether I knew any such man as John Soandoo—I've forgotten the name he mentioned—living on the block. 'I don't recall such a person,' I replied; 'have you a letter for him?' 'No, sir,' said the carrier, 'I was just trying to locate him for a real estate agent up town. If I find the right address I get a \$20 dollar bill.' That excited my curiosity, and in response to my questions the carrier made the matter plain.

"It's like this," he said. "The real estate agent is settling up some estate and has lost track of one of the heirs. He thinks he's in town, but he doesn't know where to look for him, so he came to the delivery department of the postoffice as the best place to get a tip. It turned out that none of the boys had such a man on their routes, and he then asked us to make inquiries and hung up this \$20 reward for the first information. It is perfectly legitimate, and there's nothing about it that interferes with our work, so everybody's trying to nail the twenty for a present."

"The story interested me, and I asked him whether they were called on often for data of that character. 'Why yes,' he replied, 'pretty frequently. As far as addresses are concerned, the carrier department is far and away the best information bureau in town. You see, we not only keep track of the residents, but we are pretty well posted as to the transients, also. Anybody who remains here for a week or longer is tolerably certain to receive mail of some kind, and the majority of it goes to a particular street and number instead of the general delivery. That gives us a line on them which couldn't be obtained through any other channel. Then, again, the people who live here are continually moving and may have changed their address two or three times since the last issue of the directory. We keep track of all that, and even when they go out of town temporarily we are likely to know where they are, in order to forward stray mail.

"Taken altogether, we are quite apt to locate anybody desired, and when we make special inquiries, as I am doing in this case, it is next door to a sure thing.' I asked him what class of people applied to the carriers as a rule. 'Lawyers principally,' he said, 'who are working up evidence in different cases and want to find witnesses.'—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

**Underground Labor in England.**

The last half of the 19th century should form a red-letter period in the memory of the British coal miner. Not only has it brought him to such financial prosperity that he can afford to "take holiday" for nearly half his working time, but the improvements effected below ground have greatly diminished the former risk to health and life. At a meeting of the Midland Institute of the Mining Engineers, the president showed from trustworthy statistics that the number of fatalities consequent on colliery explosions amounts to only 9 percent of the average between 1851 and 1855. There is consequently a saving of 91 percent in human life through the lessened frequency of explosions. It is much the same with all other underground accidents; in every instance, they are far fewer and less destructive than they formerly were. Such as do occur, too, are largely the result of the men's own recklessness; they persistently break rules expressly intended to save them from harm. The chief cause of accidents at present is the falling of roofs and sides, entirely owing to their not being properly timbered. But no amount of reasoning will convince the average pitman that he owes it to himself and his family to see that the requisite support is afforded. Pit-owners are always most anxious to have this done, but defects are rarely brought to their knowledge until too late for remedy. In the matter of ventilation, so great is the improvement that, apart from accidents, underground labor has become as healthy as overground.—London Globe.

**A Remarkable Sight.**

One of the most remarkable sights ever witnessed by man was that described by Captain Pendleton, a British whaler. He was following his profession around Deception Island in the Antarctic waters when he sighted an iceberg that had just fallen from an ice cliff 800 feet high. The berg appeared to be about 100 feet deep and two-thirds of a mile in length. The captain, wishing to observe the cliff or face of the ice from which this berg had dropped, sailed near it and saw high above the topmasts, at least 250 feet above the level of the sea, the body of a large whale perfect, save for the head, which had broken off and gone with the berg. A portion of this whale was secured by the whaler, who took eight or 10 barrels of oil from it, while the rest afforded food for the sea birds. This whale was embedded nearly in the centre of the cliff, 520 feet from the top, and the question is how did the whale get there and how long had it been there? It was a sulphur bottom and was between 60 and 70 feet in length.

**Boers' Prospect of Freedom.**

Howard Gregg, of San Francisco, who spent several years in Johannesburg, says that the Boer is not fighting for a hopelessly lost cause. By that, he continued, I do not mean that he will again occupy the position he did prior to the commencement of hostilities, but I am inclined to the opinion that sooner or later a peace will be declared, in which greater or less freedom and independence to the Boers as a nation will be guaranteed. Certainly Edward VII's proclamation naming Milner as a paramount lord of the Transvaal would seem to point in this direction. If England doesn't compromise with the Boers they will make her tenure of the country a disagreeable and expensive thing. I believe they can keep up the guerilla system of warfare they have embarked on for years, and so long as any of them are left in the field bearing arms England will be forced to maintain a heavy military establishment in South Africa, so heavy indeed, that it will soon prove a heart-breaking strain to the taxpayers.

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Beware of such symptoms! A well known druggist, Charles W. Eggleston, 329 Park Avenue, Worcester, Mass., suffered from nervous prostration and all its terrible symptoms. He writes the following letter telling what he knows is the best way to get well. "Some time ago I was taken with nervous prostration. I suffered terribly with my nerves and could get no sleep at all. I became fearfully exhausted, my stomach was in terrible condition from dyspepsia, and I could eat hardly anything.

"I used several medicines but without benefit. Being in the drug business myself, and having had many customers speak in the highest terms of Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, I determined to try it. After taking only one-half bottle I began to feel much better.

"I slept soundly at night, and my appetite was splendid. After taking three bottles, I ate three square meals a day, and had not the slightest distress. My nerves were perfectly strong and I felt like a new man, being completely cured of all my troubles.

"Out of the respect I bear the manufacturers of Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy, and my desire to have the sick and suffering made well and strong, I unhesitatingly say that this medicine is the best and most wonderful remedy known today.

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