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Treating Contagious Diseases.

From the Philadelphia Press.
Dr. Benjamine Lee, secretary of the State Board of Health, gave the authorities of Shamokin some information the other day which seems to be needed in many parts of the state. The burgess of the place, together with a couple of the health officials, came to Philadelphia to see Dr. Lee regarding their authority to deal with a smallpox epidemic. They reported that a quarantine had been es-tablished, the effectiveness of which de-pended upon the honor of the people. They were told to employ a sufficient number of competent officers and depend

on them for an effective quarantine. n response to questions, Dr. Lee in-ucted them that they had authority to close the schools, the churches, Sunday schools and theatres as well and stop all public gatherings. In case their orders were not complied with, they had the power to immediately make arrests and fine the offenders. He also instructed the board to spare

tagion.

These things are worth printing, because they should be known and understood in all parts of the state.

The kind of quarantine that is established in some places is merely a farce. This is sometimes due to the carelessness and indifference of the authorities; sometime because there is objection to spending money in this way, but in a great many cases it is due to the fact that the legal authorities have no real knowledge of the responsibility intrusted to them and the power given them to

Contagious disease would have small chance of spreading in Pennsylvania if all the authority of the law were exer-cised promptly and effectively.

Mrs. Roosevelt Won't Shake Hands.
Of Mrs. Roosevelt's tact many stories could be told. She has very decided opinions as to what she should and should not do, and she manages to carry her point without giving offense to any one. Our American habit of indiscriminate handshaking is very disasteful to her, and she made up her mind when she went to Albany that she would not have her hand shaken by the hundreds who pass her at the by the hundreds who pass her at the official receptions. Accordingly at her first reception she charmed the crowd with her sweet smile and pleasant with her sweet smile and pleasant words, but both her hands were ob-served to be tightly holding a huge bouquet.—Rheta Childe Dorr in Woman's Home Companion

To Keep Veils Nicely

To Keep Vells Nicely.
Get a broom handle, saw off twenty
inches, pad this evenly with wadding
sprinkled with sachet powder, then
cover neatly with a bright pongee silk,
make a frill at each end and tie round
with narrow ribbon. The veil should
be rolled smoothly round the roller and
the ends pinned.

A Prejudiced Opinion.
"There is," she said to her old bachelor brother who had just told her of

efor profiner who had just told her of his engagement, "one great difference between man and the lower animals." "What's that?" he asked. "He's the only one that a woman can make a fool of."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Four bundred men who struck against a reduction of wages at the Moffit Coal Company's mine, at Sugar Notch, re-turned to work today.

PLEASURE.

A BLACK ROBED MAN

One November night some years ago oon after I had been called to the bar, I dined with some friends. It was shortly after the close of the last Car-list war, and I was employed in an important case in which the liberty and probably the life of a distinguished Carlist leader were at stake. This gentleman was a relative of my mother, and, apart from my youthful enthusiasm for my profession, I was devoting all my time and every scrap of energy I possessed to his interests.

Now, the fact that I had been dining out will no doubt be seized upon by skeptical persons, and to their minds will probably explain all the circumstances that I am now going to set down. I can only state most solemnly probably the life of a distinguished

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down. I can only state most solemnly that when they occurred I was never more in my sober senses.

It was long past midnight when I took leave of my friends. As I passed along I had the street almost to my-self, and I paced briskly, enjoying the night air. Suddenly, though I heard no sound of footsteps, the sensation came to me that some one was walking behind me. I glanced around and saw the figure of a man walking on the outside of the pavement about six paces in my rear.

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He was tall and clad in a long black cloak, the end of which was thrown over his right shoulder in the Spanish fashion and in such a manner as to conceal the lower half of his face. A broad black sombrero was crushed down over his brows and from beneath its brim nothing but the tip of a thin white nose was visible. His appearance at once brought my mind back to the case on which I was engaged, and I could not help wondering whether this figure, which looked so singular in its Spanish costume in the streets of London, was not in some way connected with it.

As I walked on I began to be somewhat uneasy. There were so few people about. I thought of assassination. I knew the murderous nature of the "Navaja," and I was defenseless, not having even the protection of a stick. Then again, I reflected, it might be that this man was some comparitot of my client, who wished to make some communication to me, but if so, why did he not approach? I felt he was still behind me, although his foot made no sound on the curb.

Not relishing the close attendance of the mysterious stranger, I crossed over to the other side of the street, where, at least, I would be better able to observe his motions, but before I had got half way across I was aware that he had also left the pavement and was following me at the same distance as before. All this was sufficiently singular and perturbing, for I now felt certain that the man was rollowing me. To make quite certain I presently crossed the street again, and, sure enough, there was my pursuer at the same distance at my heels.

I now resolved to take action, and, turning myself sharply around, I asked him what he desired of me. To my consternation there was no one there! I rubbed my eyes. I walked a few paces back. I examined one or two doors which I had just passed, but all were securely fastened and there was no trace of the mysterious figure in any direction. I asked myself what it could mean.

But where had the man vanished to? An uneasy feeling began to take possessio

aspect, something so daunting and un-canny in the silent persistence with which he had led me to my very door, that I confess I was terrified, and my

heart began to flutter in my bosom.

I did not know how to act. I tried to speak, but my tongue refused to utter a sound. Something had to be done, however, and I advanced a few paces. The figure immediately turned and disappeared in the black archway

of the passage to my stairs.

I finally went out at the other door of the inn, and, being quite unable to overcome my fears, I went and put up at a hotel for the night. I passed a restless night and only fell askeep at dawn, and it was 11 o'clock before I awoke.

awoke,
When I arrived at Staple inn the
first person I saw was the night porter.
"Lord bless me, Mr. Percival," said he,
running toward me, "I am glad to see
you. We thought you must be killed.
We've had a terrible smash here. Have
you your keys? We were just going
to break open your door, for we could
get no answer."

December 14 to 28.—Fair of the Tigers Athletic Club at Krell's operahouse.

December 25.—Shooting for turkeys, geese, etc., at the rooms of the South Heberton Sporting Club.
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WOMEN OF THE DRAMA.

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Upon women to a very large extent the drama relies for its support. They form the large bulk of playgoers. It is mainly to the plays which they patronize that men go, and if they were unanimously to set their faces against this or that production it would at once be seen how very great is their influence upon theatrical enterprises. That women will be in such agreement as to make this test possible is hardly to be hoped, but at least those who speak for their sex may feel assured that they are voicing general opinion when they resent the presentation on our stage of such types of women as are persistently chosen by the premier playwright for the central figures of his work.

It has been said that no dramatist has ever understood women like Mr. Pinero, and if this be so he must surely know that all are not creatures of such base passions, with such sordid minds and such detestable and morbid dispositions as his Paula Tanqueray, his Agnes Ebbsmith and his latest creation, Iris Bellamy. It is not the place here to discuss the play of which Iris is the heroine; that has been done elsewhere. It is to the character that exception is taken. Mr. Pinero is regarded, and justly so, as the ablest of English dramatists, and it is impossible to help feeling that he neither does justice to the sex to whom he is

to help feeling that he neither does justice to the sex to whom he is avowedly so much indebted, since it is avowedly so much indebted, since it is always a woman's story that he selects for the theme of a play, nor to him-self. For surely he would not have us believe that he cannot paint for us a woman of good inpulses and of noble character, or that he can deal with no theme on the stage that is not based on a woman's worst characteris-ties? Year in and year out this lead-ing playwight presents these studies ing playwright presents these studies of fractious, selfish, sensuous, unprincipled women in settings so attractive that the public is dazzled into acceptthat the public is dazzled into accepting them without protest. But we think that the time has come for women to murmur against his invariable custom of unchivalrously selecting the most unpleasant types of womanhood for dramatic treatment. Even that they are true to nature is not to be admitted. he'Tre are good women, whose unselfishness and sweetness and strength might be made the themes of plays infinitely greater than any Mr. Pincro has written. Why cannot he give us one such a heroine'? She would, indeed, be welcome.—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Girls' New Walk.

"Every once in awhile," remarked a Chestnut street stroller, "you see the girls come out with a new walk. For a time a certain stride will prevail, and then, all of a sudden, there will be a change, and another style will take its place. Just at present the walk affected by a lot of women seems to be a sort of limp, as though it might be the result of wearing tight shoes." A young doctor, to whom these remarks were addressed, smiled broadly. "There is a secret back of the new walk, as you term it," he said. "There comes a young girl in short dresses. You will notice that she has the limp. You will notice that she has the limp. You will also notice that there is a slight protrusion on her leg. Well, that is caused by a shield worn under the stocking and indicates that the girl has been vaccluated. That's why she limps. That's why all these other girls limp when they walk. You know girls now-adays object to being vaccinated on the arm, as it leaves a scar that doesn't look well when an evening gown is worn. Now you know the secret on what you call the new walk."—Philadelphia Record.

Curious Pets For Women.
Lady Constance Mackeuzie and Lady
Ellen Wickham have sent some curious
pets to be cared for in their absence
from hone in Robert Green's Terrace
Garden, Covent Garden Market, London. Lady Mackeuzie's pets are two
baby boa constrictors, already good
sized snakes, but not half grown. They
are beautifully notted in brawn and sized snakes, but not half grown. They are beautifully mottled in brown and buff, and, being tame, their shining eyes do not have the malicious gleam of the serpent in his native jungle. Lady Wickham's taste in pets runs to toads, and her favorite is an Italian toad which she has owned for twelve years. Among several others is one blue tongued toad from Australia that is very sociable with visitors. He is intelligent and has been taught a number of entertaining tricks. The New York women are following the lead in this queer entertaining tricks. The New York we men are following the lead in this queer fad, and several of them have pet snakes or toads, one having a pet that coils about her sewing table and shows evident delight in her company.—Chica-

PEOPLE OF THE DAY

The Buller Incident.

After several months of quiet life, ferowing his removal as commander of the British forces in South Africa, General Buller has reached the middle of the stage in one jump. For certain utterances he made in a recent speech, in which he discussed the South Afri-can war and especially the siege of Ladysmith, he was dismissed from the command of the First army corps and

retired on half pay.

It seems that the dismissal of Buller by Secretary of War Brodrick has



brought to the front a great many per sons who were not hitherto classed as the general's friends, but who are now vociferously defending him and attacking the secretary of war. The friends of Buller include people of every class, and meetings and demonstrations in favor of the dismissed general have been held in all parts of England. In the language of Sir Lucius O'Trigger, "It's a — pretty quarrel as it stands."

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A Hardworking Young Man.

Few young men of the opportunities of Anson Phelps Stokes, Jr., would be willing to substitute a life of arduous duties in connection with a great modern university for the existence possible to him. Mr. Stokes, who has not yet turned thirty, is the wonder of all New Haveners and of members of Yale university circles. The number of things that Mr. Stokes can do, and do well, are amazing. Besides being the assistant rector at St. Paul's Episcopal church in New Haven, Mr. Stokes is secretary of Yale university and one of the most potent forces in Yale. He is, besides, an enthusiastic golfer and plays a first class game, going through several rounds of match play at the last Connecticut state golf tournament with honors. In his leisure moments Mr. Stokes has invented a parlor golf game, which he has patented and put on the market. At the last commencement he managed to secure enough subscriptions at the last moment to fill out the amount necessary for the erection of the new memorial hall and vestibule building. Constant calls are made by the undergraduates on Mr. Stokes, and his influence is tremendous among the students. Besides these activities Mr. Stokes finds time to become interested in the city and has served on the committee for the protection of the elm trees.

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The Rev. Dr. Hiram W. Thomas has resigned as pastor of the People's church of Chicago, an institution with which he has been connected since he withdrew from the Methodist Episco-

pal church twenty-one years ago.
Impaired health is assigned as the cause for Dr. Thomas' resignation. He is directing a movement for a national people's church, and finds that he is unequal to this effort and the performance of the duties attending on his Oni-cago pastorate. Dr. Thomas will retain a passive connection with the Chi-cago church and will draw a life sal ary as pastor emeritus. Together with his wife he will devote his remaining years of activity to the national organi-

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