

Emaciated by Diabetes; Tortured With Gravel and Kidney Pains.

Henry Soule, cobbler, of Hammondsport, N. Y., says: "Since Doan's Kidney Pills cured me eight years ago, I've reached 70 and hope to live many years longer. But twenty years ago I had kidney trouble so bad I could not work. Backache was persistent and it was agony to lift anything. Gravel, whirling headaches, dizziness and terrible urinary disorders ran me down from 188 to 100 pounds. Doctors told me I had diabetes and could not live. I was wretched and hopeless when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, but they cured me eight years ago, and I've been well ever since."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

Gold Mining in Abyssinia. A British explorer recently returned from Abyssinia says that he was for four months in a region hitherto unknown to white men. Along the tributaries of the Blue Nile he found a mining population engaged in washing gold. He reports that there is an enormous quantity of gold in this region in which thousands of natives work.

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 obligations made by him.

Deeds, Not Years. Do something: Methuselah lived to be 900 years old, but little else about him ever got into print.—John A. Howland.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. ENDERSBY, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

An interesting item regarding the mistletoe is that it is the only plant whose roots refuse to shoot in the ground—a peculiarity possessed by no other parasite. It is found on the fir, the lime, and the apple tree as well as on the oak.

USE THE FAMOUS Red Cross Ball Blue. Large 2-oz. package 5 cents. The Russ Company, South Bend, Ind.

TAR AND FEATHERS LONG AGO. Ordered by Richard Coeur de Lion as Punishment for Theft.

We learn from the annals of the historian Hoveden, who was court chaplain to Henry III, that the old custom of tarring and feathering is one that dates back to the time of Richard the Lion Hearted.

He tells us that this renowned king, on setting out for the third crusade, made this enactment among others, for his feet:

A robber who shall be convicted of theft shall have his head cropped after the fashion of a champion, and boiling pitch shall be poured thereon, and the feathers of a cushion shall be shaken out on him, so that he may be known, and at the first land at which the ship shall touch he shall be set on shore.

This, then, is one of several customs which has been classed commonly as "American," while in truth, it originated with us, and was imported by them from Europe.—Tit Bits, London.

Didn't Know the Lady. Mrs. Clancy—Yis, Mrs. Muggins, Pat and Oi part to mate no more. Oi wint to the hospital to ax father him. "Oi want to see me husband," sez Oi; "the man that got blowed up." "Yez can't," sez the docther—"he's under the influence of Ann Esthetics." "Oi don't know the lady," sez Oi, mighty dignified loike; "but if me lawful wedded husband can act loike that whin he's at death's door Oi'll have a divorce frim him!"—Exchange.

THE LITTLE WIDOW. A Mighty Good Sort of Neighbor to Have.

"A little widow, a neighbor of mine, persuaded me to try Grape-Nuts when my stomach was so weak that it would not retain food of any other kind," writes a grateful woman, from San Bernardino Co., Cal.

"I had been ill and confined to my bed with fever and nervous prostration for three long months after the birth of my second boy. We were in despair until the little widow's advice brought relief.

"I liked Grape-Nuts food from the beginning, and in an incredibly short time it gave me such strength that I was able to leave my bed and enjoy my three good meals a day. In two months my weight increased from 95 to 115 pounds, my nerves had steadied, and I felt ready for anything. My neighbors were amazed to see me gain so rapidly and still more so when they heard that Grape-Nuts alone had brought the change.

"My 4-year-old boy had eczema, very bad, last spring and lost his appetite entirely, which made him cross and peevish. I put him on a diet of Grape-Nuts, which he relished at once. He improved from the beginning, the eczema disappeared and now he is fat and rosy, with a delightfully soft, clear skin. The Grape-Nuts diet did it. I will willingly answer all inquiries." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

There's a reason. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkg.

SOLDIERS' FRIENDLY WORDS

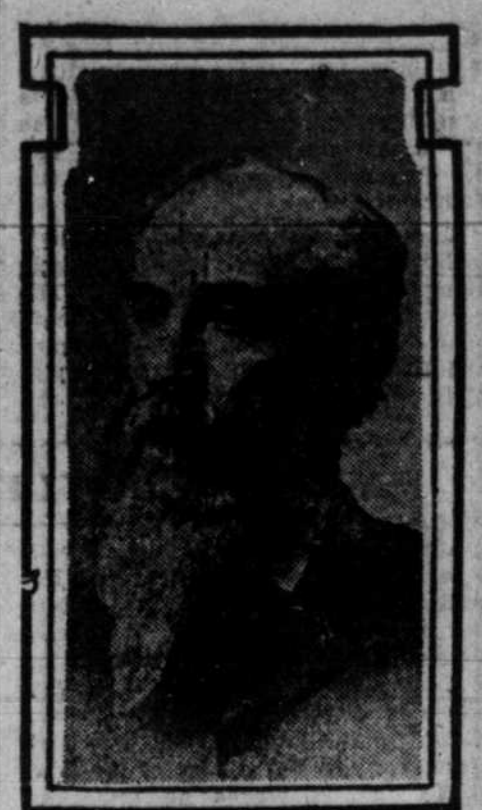
Autograph Book of Capt. Eleazer Smith of Lynn, Mass., Contains Messages from McClellan, Mosby and Others.

Capt. Eleazer Smith of Lynn, Mass., member of the 5th New Hampshire regiment during the civil war, numbers among his large collection of autographs of famous generals and other men of deeds the signature of the famous confederate guerilla, Mosby. Capt. Smith took part in eighteen battles, but he always remembered the narrow escape his regiment had from Mosby's flying squadron. So one day he sat down at his desk and composed this letter to the old rebel cavalryman:

"Dear Sir—I am approaching you as the man who chased me more miles than any other man. I confess this now. I am not afraid to approach you for the war is ended, and you are not now, as then, chasing us when we were not engaged in the occupation of chasing you. I am, sir, your obedient servant, ELEAZER SMITH." "Captain of 5th New Hampshire Regt." To Capt. Smith's great pleasure, Col. Mosby promptly answered. "Dear Sir," the letter ran, "I have read your note requesting my autograph, which is subscribed. I am always glad to hear from and meet old soldiers, even if we were opposed to each other in the war. With my best wishes, yours truly, John S. Mosby."

In the autograph book is this letter from "Fighting Joe" Wheeler: "Your kind letter gave me much pleasure. I only reached home yesterday, after an absence in Europe. It was very kind of you to write to me as you did, and I thank you for it. Very sincerely yours, "JOSEPH WHEELER." Maj.-Gen. J. E. Johnston and Maj.

was a non-commissioned officer, very well. It was a splendid body of troops. A few days since I was over the field of Gettysburg, and thought of the corps' exploits there, during the second day's battle especially, and saw the position it occupied there in the timber. I know of its renown at Antietam, and Fredericksburg as well. I am very truly yours, Winfield S. Hancock."



CAPT. E. W. SMITH

said, "If it be the will of God to call me, I shall be able properly to answer the call. God bless you. Sincerely yours, in fraternity and comradeship, "OLIVER O. HOWARD."

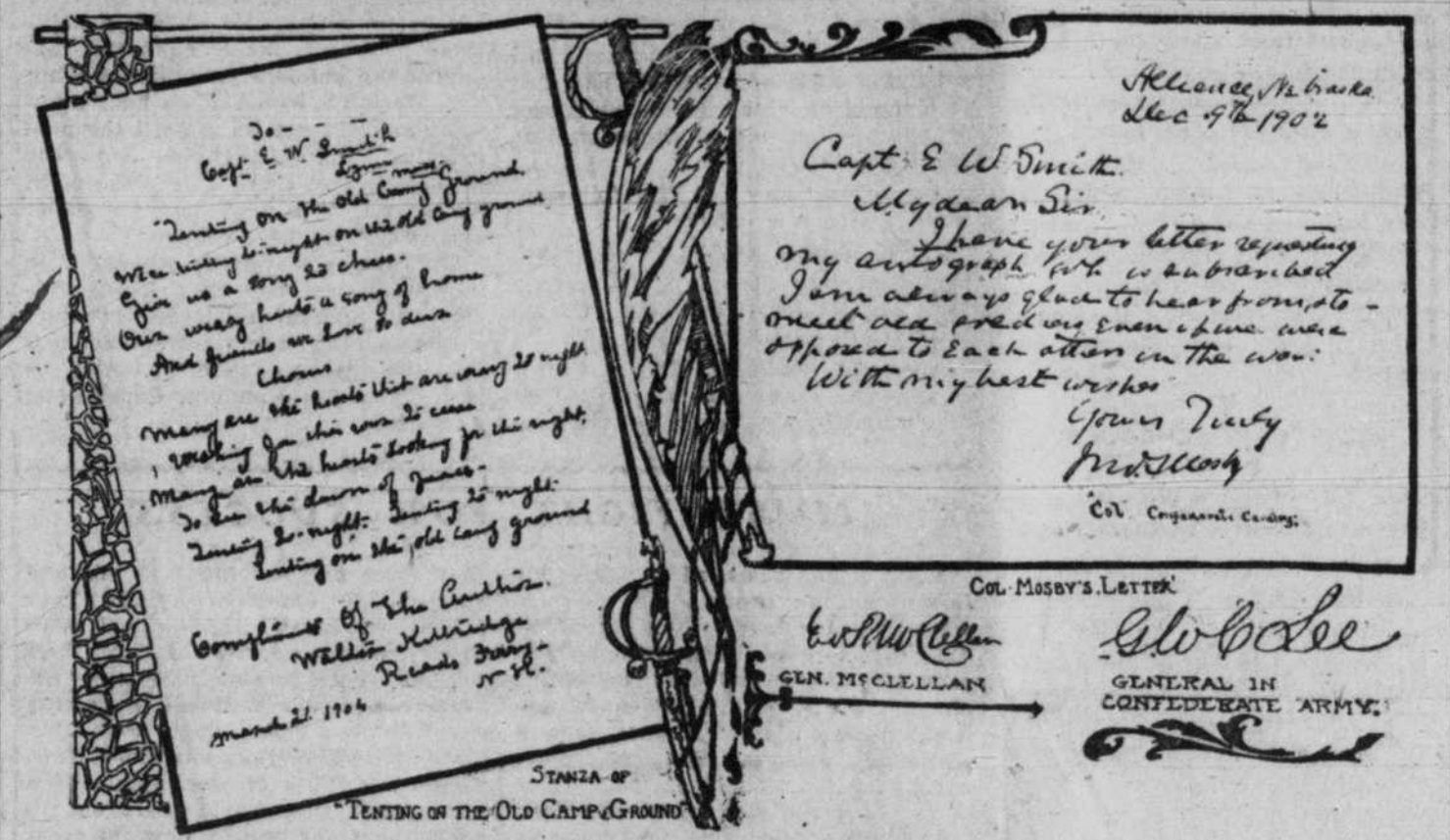
Another letter which Capt. Smith speaks of with great reverence came from Gen. McClellan. "Little Mac" wrote:

"My Dear Sir—Your most kind and welcome letter reached me some days ago. I have been unable until now to acknowledge it. Nothing gives me such pleasure and satisfaction as just such letters as yours from my old comrades, showing that the strong cords which united us in the long past days of the war have not been weakened by time. Again thanking you for your letter, I am, sincerely your friend, "GEORGE B. McCLELLAN."

Then just below this cordial letter is a note from the present mayor of New York, the son of "Little Mac."

In keeping with the military spirit of the autograph book is a letter from the author of "Tenting on the Old Camp Ground," Walter Kittredge of Reed's Ferry, N. H., containing the first verse and chorus of that inspiring poem. Capt. Smith prizes it very highly. Julia Ward Howe has sent this appropriate note: "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord," from her splendid poem, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Gen. Lew Wallace has written: "Dear Sir and Comrade—Certainly I will send you my autograph, having the greatest respect for every man who was a soldier in the great war, and here it is, with my best wishes



Gen. George Washington Curtis Lee of the confederate army have sent cordial letters to Capt. Smith. Gen. Lee expressed his pleasure in hearing from an old union soldier, and reciprocated the wishes for a better feeling between the North and South.

Gen. Howard contributed readily to the autograph collection with this interesting letter: "Your kind note came to-day. The 5th New Hampshire takes me back to the early days of the war, and recollections crowd upon me from old Camp California to Gettysburg. Those seemed hard days, and we longed and prayed that they might be shortened. Yet the impressions received upon our minds and hearts are ineffaceable. I am well and strong, with a large family to look after and a lively department to command, but as Gen. Grant

many times repeated. "LEW WALLACE." One page of Capt. Smith's book is given up to the autographs of the Presidents of the United States. Among the names are Pierce, Lincoln, Grant, Cleveland and Roosevelt. Other names between the covers are Susan B. Anthony, Gen. Daniel Sickles, Gen. Nelson A. Miles, I. T. Ritchie, lord mayor of London; Brevet Brig-Gen. Charles P. Mattocks of the 11th Maine volunteers in the Spanish war; Mark Twain and the private secretary of King Edward.

PEOPLE OF THE PLAINS

About five years after the close of the civil war Dr. Ralph Burnham entered the government service as a physician under a temporary contract arrangement. He was sent to a cantonment on the edge of the country where the Kiowas and Comanches periodically were going on the warpath. There was temporary peace, however, and not far from the quarters of the troops was a Kiowa encampment, the chiefs having brought a large party of their warriors in to talk peace and incidentally to get some provisions. Dr. Burnham had never seen an Indian but he hadn't been at the post an hour before a red sneaked in and asked for the surgeon. The regular army doctor was away and the Kiowa buck was referred to Burnham. The Indian had come into the camp under cover because he did not want his fellow braves to know that he was weak-minded enough to seek the services of a paleface physician, for the Kiowas believed implicitly in their own medicine men and especially in one, an ugly, pock-marked, villainous-looking chap known as Blue Dog.

Dr. Burnham was told in signs and in a few English words that a Kiowa buck was sick. He went with the messenger and when they reached the edge of the reds' encampment the Kiowa pointed out a tepee and then disappeared. Burnham entered the lodge. He was met by growls and by a stench that nearly overcame him. On the ground lay a young buck senseless and round about him dancing and chanting was moving the most hideous looking creature that Burnham had ever seen. The dancer was old Blue Dog, the Kiowa medicine man. In addition to his dancing he was burning some stuff which smelled worse than asafoetida. Thus with song and stench Blue Dog was trying to

drive the devil of illness out of the prostrate warrior. Burnham took a look at the buck on the ground and saw that he was suffering from epilepsy. He opened his medicine case and began to take out some vials. Blue Dog uttered a yell at the sight and three bucks entered and told the doctor in Kiowa English that he couldn't try his medicine until Blue Dog got through. Blue Dog finished his incantation in about ten minutes and lay down exhausted from the dance. The patient was still motionless. Then Burnham went at him. Inside of five minutes he had the sick buck on his feet and with the stimulation of the brandy that had been given liberally the Kiowa acted as though he never had known an hour's illness in his life. Blue Dog looked astounded, but he told his fellows that it was his own medicine that had brought the warrior back to life and that it simply had been a little slow in its acting. Three weeks later Dr. Burnham was routed out of bed at midnight by a pounding on the window frame of his shack. He went to the door and found old Blue Dog outside. Blue Dog spoke English fairly well. "Papoose sick," he said; "come, same tepee; don't let Indians know or they kill me." Burnham found Blue Dog's child suffering from fever. He attended her surreptitiously for a week and finally the child recovered. On the night of the day that the little one was pronounced well Burnham found a Navajo blanket at his door. It was a beauty and he knew whence it came. That was the summer that the Kiowas and the Comanches went out and raided Kansas, Nebraska and the Indian territory. It was the worst of the years for the settlers and the troops known in frontier warfare.

HE KNEW TOO MUCH WAS PUT OUT OF WAY

Young Missourian Supposed to Have Been Killed in Oregon by Man Who Robbed Forest Grove Bank.

Kansas City.—R. N. Snyder, a well-known financier of New York, received a telegram from Portland, Ore., Friday indicating that his son, Carey Snyder, had been murdered by men suspected of a bank robbery concerning which young Snyder was supposed to know too much. The bank robbed was at Forest Grove, Ore., and the authorities at Forest Grove and Portland notified the police of this city that they suspected Carey Snyder, "Pinky" Blitz and George Perry of committing the robbery. Blitz and Perry, who are cousins, are notorious police characters here, and Snyder had been involved in serious trouble.

WANTS CASTRO TO APOLOGIZE.

France Will Send Warships to Venezuela to Avenge M. Taigny. Washington.—It is learned here that France will demand an immediate apology of President Castro for what is regarded as his insulting and unwarranted treatment of M. Taigny, the French charge d'affaires. Three French warships are within striking distance of the Venezuelan coast, and two more, it has been reported from Paris, are on the way to West Indian waters. What form the displeasure of France will take has been tentatively decided and the details of the programme will be communicated confidentially to the Washington government. Not until President Castro has felt the form of French dissatisfaction will the world know whether a peaceful blockade is to be established or whether a custom house will be seized. Should the seizure of custom houses along the coast be decided on it is not unlikely that in order to disabuse the anxiety of the European powers lest the payment of their claims is to be stopped France may ask some outside neutral power to act as receiver for the custom house returns until President Castro has apologized and given assurance of his intention to resume diplomatic relations with France.

Wright Goes to Japan.

Washington.—Luke E. Wright, governor of the Philippines, has been named by the president as the first American ambassador to Japan. This announcement was made Friday at the war department: Judge Ide, governor of the Philippine islands, has asked to be relieved from further duty, June 1 next, after six years of faithful and efficient service as commissioner and vice governor in these islands. The president considers that he is entitled to the dignity and honor of the governor generalship during that period. Upon Governor Ide's retirement, General James E. Smith, now a member of the commission, justice of the Philippine supreme court, will succeed him, and General Smith's name will be sent to the senate after the confirmation of Governor Ide.

INCREASE IN WAGES.

United Mine Workers Expect the Old Scale Will Be Restored. Indianapolis.—An increase in the wages of coal miners equivalent to the reduction accepted by the United Mine Workers in the joint wage conference of 1904, is the proposition which the operators are expected to defend in the joint conference to convene in Indianapolis upon the adjournment of the present annual convention of the United Mine Workers.

China Growing Wiser.

Pekin.—It is now proposed by the Chinese government that all foreign settlements in China to be opened in the future must differ from the old treaty ports. It is pointed out that these treaty ports are practically foreign territory and that therefore they are able to dispute the Chinese claims for damages, as was instanced in the riots at Shanghai when China was debarred from maintaining troops to keep order. It is the plan of the government generally to restrict the privileges of foreigners.

Orchard in the Penitentiary.

Boise, Ida.—Sheriff Nichols of Canyon county changed his mind on Thursday and Harry Orchard, the man who stands charged with the assassination of former Governor Steuneger, was hustled from Caldwell to Boise and lodged in a cell in the penitentiary. The reason for the sudden change of front has not been made public, but it is believed it arose from fear that an attempt would be made to rescue the prisoner or to make away with him to prevent the possibility of his making a confession.

Charges That Shippers Were Robbed at Kansas City Stock Yards.

Kansas City.—Evidence of the existence at the stock yards in this city of an organization of men to defraud shippers by a system of overweightings and underweights was disclosed in the trial here of Jay J. Miller, a trader, charged with perjury. Miller's trial is the first in the cases of eleven weightmasters and others at the stock yards, indicted last year following an investigation by a committee of the Traders' Exchange.

NORTHWEST NOTES

Warren Zubrick knocked out Young Mansfield in two minutes before the Vancouver, Wash., Athletic club.

William Broad, Bert Coffman and Fred Johnson were killed in the Opp mine at Jacksonville, Ore., by an accidental explosion of dynamite.

George L. Brown has been arrested at Bellingham, Wash., on a charge of counterfeiting. A complete counterfeiting outfit was found in his room.

A sixty-mile wind from the southwest blew over Reno, Nev., unroofing houses and blowing down a large freight shed, a frame residence and destroying many trees.

Mrs. Sally Berry of Northport, Wash., the insane woman who held possession of a car at Girard, Kan., for five days, has been committed to the asylum at Medical Lake.

Jugaburo Asuka, a Japanese, who was in the employ of the Southern Pacific company was killed instantly at Probie siding, near Golconda, Nev., by being struck by a locomotive.

Fred T. Sherman has been arrested in Seattle charged with having bribed George T. Wright, mayor of Tacoma, \$6,000 being the sum in question. Mayor Wright denies having received the money.

Three counterfeilers have been placed under arrest by a secret service officer at Seattle, and hundreds of dollars' worth of spurious \$5 and \$10 gold pieces, with the paraphernalia used in their manufacture, was captured.

Ed and Bob Franz and their mother have been arrested at Phillipsburg, Mont., charged with the murder of George Reed, a wood-chopper who was known to have had money and whose body was found in a shallow grave near the Franz ranch.

The commissioner of the general land office announces the secretary of the interior has withdrawn from all forms of disposals except under the mineral laws, 1,200,000 acres of public lands lying in Missoula and Flathead counties, Mont., and Kootenai county, Ida., for the proposed forest reserve.

Mrs. C. L. Bybee of Lander, Wyo., recently gave birth to a mite of a baby, which is probably the smallest ever born in Wyoming. The child, a girl, weighed but one and a half pounds, and is only nine inches in length. Its head in circumference is about equal to the rim of a silver dollar.

Active preparations for the construction of the Milwaukee line through the Snoqualmie pass in Washington are being made and construction work will soon be commenced. Already tie camps are being established along the Snoqualmie route and the cutting of ties under contract has begun.

The International and Empire Retail Dealers' association at their annual congress in Spokane unanimously adopted a resolution endorsing President Roosevelt's action to bring about a law to fix and enforce reasonable railroad rates and will request the delegation in congress to give him all support.

Judge W. H. Hunt, in the United States court at Butte, told Dennis Burke, Samuel McBride, Peter Larson and Charles Ahim, convicted of illegal timber cutting in Missoula county, that the government must protect its timber interests and the practice of cutting timber on the public domain must cease. He fined McBride and Burke \$200 each and Larson and Ahim \$150 each.

The people of Montana continue to enjoy great prosperity, and the outlook for the future is exceedingly bright. The mining men and in fact all classes of business men had a good year last year, and a feeling of security prevails.

A snowslide carried Harry Youmans and Fred Davidson into Nellie gulch, near Lake City, Colo. The former succeeded in digging himself out and hastened to organize a searching party to rescue Davidson, who was buried beneath the avalanche.

Joe Rodgers and John Anderson have been placed under arrest by the police on suspicion of having been the principals in the frequent hold-ups of saloons in Butte recently. Anderson's mask slipped during a robbery, it is claimed, and he was recognized.

Edward Keaster, a well known stockman of Highwoods, Mont., committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. Keaster lately sued his wife for divorce on the ground of infidelity. The wife fought the charges, claiming that Keaster's mind was unbalanced.

After considering the case 112 hours and forty minutes and establishing a new Montana jury record, the jury in the case of Camille Rensay, tried at Helena for killing Wason Oliver, was unable to agree and Judge Smith discharged them. It is asserted 114 ballots were taken.

The house has passed Representative Mondell's bill extending the public land laws to the two-mile square tract of land in Wyoming ceded by the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians to the government on June 7, 1867. This land has heretofore been subject to entry under the homestead law only.